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TATTOOING CRAZE
DISFIGURING ONE'S SKIN NOW
THE PROPER THING.
Americans in Europe Seem to Have
Gone Mad Over the Subject
According to an Authority
in London.

Americans have gone tattoo mad. Such is the inference to be drawn from a recent conversation with Alfred South, a famous English and continental tattooist. According to the artist the rich have stolen the thunder of the poor. The practice of covering the body with elaborate designs, which was supposed to be the special weakness of the low-class sailor, has ascended the social ladder and is now the amusement of the aristocracy. Certain well-known Americans, if we are to believe Mr. South, would present the appearance of animated picture galleries could we see them in the nude. Their backs, chests, legs and arms are covered with crouching tigers, poised snakes and more or less beautiful women. The son of one of the largest watch manufacturers in the United States, who is some times a millionaire, had a face smalle of his father's particular brand of timepiece tattooed on his chest by Mr. South. He had the hands showing the hour to be exactly 12 and remarked that no matter where he was he could always refer to it at exactly that time of day and always correct his fallible time piece.

Many Americans have commissioned Mr. South to tattoo copies of pictures by their favorite artist on their shoulders, chests or backs. In this respect Charles Dana Gibson easily leads the field as the most popular American draughtsman. One American millionaire, a crack rifle shot and premier horse owner, is the proud possessor of a "Gibson Girl" on his left shoulder.

It seems that many Americans have had their full names tattooed on their wrists and forearms. Mr. South says he has many American women as customers. They are more sentimental than the sterner sex, according to the artist, and they run to names, or the private crests of their sweethearts. The work is usually done on the legs, but many of the fairer sex are having elaborate designs executed on their backs. In this as in other walks of life the fair woman has lived up to her reputation for a chameleon-like state of mind, for the artist declares he has several times changed the name of a sweetheart for women customers.

The tattooing craze appears to be even more advanced in England and on the continent than in the United States. Here it seems to have touched even the highest rung of the social ladder. The prince of Wales himself is said to have some most artistic work on his arm, while the crown princess of Denmark, Lady Cornwallis West and members of the royal family of Russia are said to be devotees of the craze. Some of them are even said to have become adept at the art itself.

Among society at the present time problems in bridge are especially popular as subjects for the tattoo artist. One woman recently had "her last will and testament" in four colors and many elaborations, tattooed on her back. Religious devotees have peculiar hobbies, and a particularly pious old lady recently had a likeness of her priest tattooed on her arm by Mr. South.

Languages Studied by Japanese.
A letter from Japan, published in Berlin, says that the study of the German language in Japan has fallen off in the last few years. At the close of the school term of 1906 in Tokyo the department of examinations reported that the following languages had been studied in the schools: English, Chinese, German and Russian.

French, Korean and Spanish were neglected. In 1904 the number of students of Chinese increased 100 per cent and the study of English fell off, while there was a marked increase of German students.

In 1907 statistics show that the German language has lost in favor, and it has gone back to seventh place. English has not retrograded, and has 30 students in the final class to 13 who study German.

"Young men who are being educated for business careers," says the writer, "do not study German, but it is still popular for those who are in the scientific circles."

A Substitute for Concrete.
A composition resembling concrete, now being considerably used in France and known as lime beton, is described as being more generally used than concrete. It is a cheaper composition than cement or concrete, easier to work, and if the initial load be not too great it is for nearly every purpose just as good. A good lime beton can be obtained by mixing mortar and stones, gravel, or cinders, mortar and good-sized stones making the best composition. Probably one-half of the houses in Marseilles have been built of this material, and thousands of the older buildings, many hundreds of years old, are held together by ordinary lime. Walls built of quick lime beton must be laid up slowly, but with hydraulic lime beton they can be erected as fast as masons can work. The solidity of lime beton construction is shown by the sea walls and docks in Marseilles, where masonry of this kind may be seen both above and below sea water, the most difficult test to which building material can be subjected.

SILVER AND CRYSTAL WARE.
New Combination That Meets a Long Established Demand.
To combine silver and crystal in single pieces has long been the desire of the woman who likes exquisite and costly appointments for her table, but the idea has never before been a really practical one for anything except epergnes. This season, however, the combination has been effected and it is possible now to supply one's china and glass closet with whole sets of the most beautiful crystal mounted on silver.

The champagne glasses are particularly dainty and attractive. They have a rock crystal bowl showing some effective design of flowers or vines which can be adjusted into a silver stem and base. This stem is wrought of the metal and is so patterned that at the top, where it joins the crystal, there is a spring shaped like a half-opened flower, into the heart of which the short crystal stem slips, while the leaves of the flower-like spring close up around the glass. The glass stem is quite short, not over half an inch or an inch. In the smaller glasses it is just long enough to allow the silver clasp to slip up and fit close to the bowl of the tumbler or wine glass.

There is no difficulty whatever in washing these glasses. All one has to do is to loosen the crystal part and clean that, and when the silver needs rubbing up or polishing it is separated from the crystal. The silver stems are hand-work of the most expensive kind. They are daintily engraved, carved or engraved, and usually have the fashionable gray tint that so much of the new table silver shows. Silver and crystal fare comes in all the wine sizes, liqueurs, some with short stems and others with very tall, slender ones, in grape fruit and sherry glasses. Separate dishes for soup, potage, jellies and nuts are made in the same way, combining silver and cut crystal. There is also a full set of lemon dishes and sauce dishes of crystal and silver. These have the best part made of glass and then there are pierced silver rims that suggest the style of silver-in-vogue about a century ago. The rims are easily removed for cleaning purposes. They are a certain protection to the edge of the dish and give it a handsome finish. The sauce dishes intended to hold mayonnaise or creams are made on the same pattern, only the glass part is very much deeper. The removable rim is also correspondingly heavy. Pierced silver is very fashionable at present, and among the novelties in this work are large and exquisitely wrought sandwich plates and cake dishes. In solid silver these are costly, on account of the delicacy of the work on them.

MYSTERY OF JOSS STICKS.
They are Used in All Countries Where Buddha is Worshipped.

In all countries where Buddha worship is celebrated there is a great consumption of "joss sticks." These ceremonial candles are lighted on occasions of festive or religious prayer or thanksgiving to deities, and the like. Joss sticks are in candles and incense, since the latter, they burn without deposit of flame. Their preparation is shrouded in some mystery and the process is still practically unknown. They are carried on by being chosen from a special class and kept in perfect condition.

A square piece of bamboo, about the length and thickness of a pencil, is the size of joss stick that is made. It is skillfully polished on one side, and the surface is a mixture of various powders agglutinated by a glutinous substance. One end of the stick is, to serve as a handle. In some cases the bamboo is replaced with a flexible rod which enables the joss stick to be rolled in spiral form.

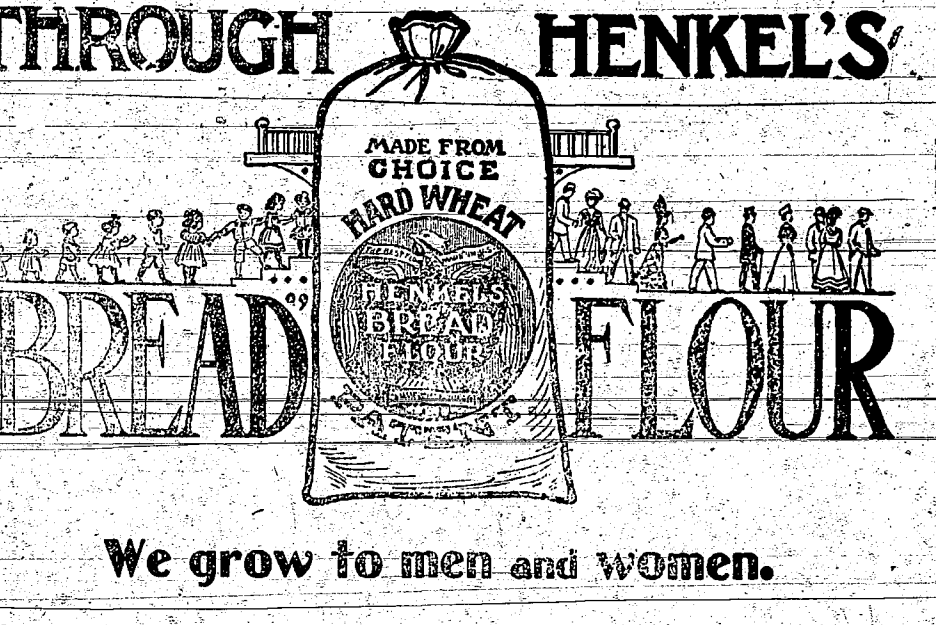
The composition of the odoriferous powders varies with the country; those used in Indo-China come generally from the province of Canton and include 11 different drugs, some of which may be named camphor, sandalwood, aconite and clove. Aconite plays the part of a preservative and protects the joss sticks well against the attacks of rats and mice.

Across Africa by Motor.
Lieut. Graetz, the German officer who, with two companions, started from Dar es Salaam last week to cross Africa in a motor through British Central Africa and Rhodesia to Sekele-mund, German Southwest Africa, has reached Mozambique, which is about 100 miles from Dar es Salaam.

On arriving at Mozambique he decided that the car was much too heavy for the rough country through which it had to travel. He therefore discarded the body of the car, leaving only the chassis, on which he rigged a seat.

The only luggage he is taking with him consists of his sleeping sack, a supply of petrol and a box containing a small stock of provisions and medicines. Rhodesia is ahead.

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Probate Notice.
STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the County of Crawford
In the matter of the estate of Martha L. Dickinson, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that as the fourth day of November A. D. 1907, have been allowed to creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court, at the probate office, in the Village of Grayling in said county, on or before the fourth day of May A. D. 1908, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Monday the fourth day of May A. D. 1908, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.
Dated November 14, A. D. 1907.
WELLINGTON BATTERSON,
Judge of Probate.

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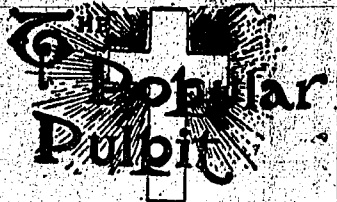
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TRUE THANKSGIVING.

By Rev. H. F. Cope. The Lord is good to all and His tender mercies are over all His works.—Ps. 145, 1x.

It takes more than a holiday to make people happy, more even than plenty of prosperity. The fields may yield bountifully, the barns be filled to overflowing, the ledgers show large profits, and all business bear the marks of stability and increase, and yet, even at the tables laden with bounties, grim poverty may sit, a grinning, unblinking guest, its gratitude be not there.

With gratitude a crust furnishes a feast, while without it plenty is but penury. A man's wealth depends not on what he has in his name, but on what he appreciates, on the things that give him happiness. The thankful heart alone enters into complete possession. Gratitude is the art of appreciation. Days of thanksgiving convert our prosperity from a mere catalogue of goods received to the consciousness of infinite blessings possessed.

Does a man think to himself, my own energy and genius have enriched me, why should I render thanks to any? He is as a child who should think he gains his education unaided. None of us can live to himself. No amount of energy could create a single grain of wheat. Neither given the seed could any man wholly unaided get a living from the soil. We are all dependents and always debtors to untold multitudes of our fellows. It is a short sighted review that forgets them in the day of praise.

So also all life is a matter of partnership with the infinite. To raise corn a man must enter into co-operation with the forces that work in the fields. He becomes a partner with God. Yielding to the laws of the universe, he enlists the aid of the unseen and uncalculable power that brings forth the swelling bud and the upspringing blade, that paints the bloom on the peach and waves the silk on the rustling corn.

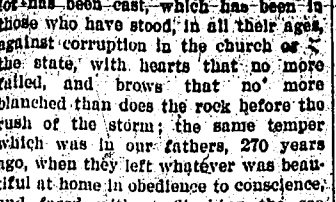
A little thought turns our self-gratulation to thanksgiving. We see a power other than our own, a hand mightier and a mind wiser working through all the seasons, with us and for us. By the good received we believe it is not the hand of blind fate; it is moved by a kindly heart. His tender mercies are over all His works. Thanksgiving is the opportunity to read a little more clearly in nature's infinite book of secrecy the wonderful story of the eternal goodness and bounty.

To some is given the harder task of rejoicing in affliction; the privilege of learning life's sweetest song in what is to many an unknown tongue, the rich language of sorrow. The song may come mingled with sighs, and yet how strong in deepened sympathy. Life may have lost some of its possessions, but it has become richer in itself. Grateful for the clouds as well as for the clear blue in the end it appears that our fairest joys spring from our deepest disappointments.

There is always something to be happy over. Life depends on its outlook. Gratitude takes the place of gloom when you look for goodness and mercy. Life is full of sorrow to those who look on all things with suspicion; it is a sour affair to him who goes around sniffling at life. The thankful heart has a way of looking at a single tiny patch of blue in all the ornament of blackness until the blue and clear has over-spread all.

Gratitude for benefits received will lead to benefits shared. He who has most may owe much to him who has least. The grateful cannot be greedy. Our common interdependence means mutual obligation. The tender mercies of all our Father's works may well teach us to set kindness, mercy, helpfulness over all our works. No man does a full thanksgiving until he creates thankfulness in all his fellows.

The best thanksgiving is that which lasts longest and frequently says least; it abides in the heart that shows its appreciation of the good things of life by passing them on. He gets most out of life who finds in it most things to make him glad that he lives, most chances to share his joy and to cause happy laughter to echo about him, who helps men to rejoice in the goodness and gladness of the infinite love for us all.



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WILLIAM J. BRYAN IS WILLING TO RUN.

Declares in The Commoner He is Ready to Accept Honor if Requested.

WILL NOT SEEK THE PLACE.

Prepared to Lend His Support to Any Other Candidate that the Democrats May Sellect.

William Jennings Bryan in the current issue of the Commoner, the paper owned and edited by him, announces his willingness to be the candidate of the Democratic party again, should he be called upon. However, he declines to seek the nomination. If the Democrats should decide that somebody else suits them better than he, he will be neither disappointed nor disgruntled, he says. He insists that the



WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN.

question of his availability be left to the rank and file of the people, rather than to a few selected leaders. He has received honors enough from the party, he says. He has been amply repaid by it for all he has done in its behalf. He will cheerfully serve in the ranks if another leader is chosen to make the fight. But should the party's choice fall on him, his address is Lincoln, Neb., the dog is tied and his door-bell is in good working order.

GOTHAM BANKER A SUICIDE.

Deposed President of the Knickerbocker Concession Shoots Himself.

Charles Tracy Barney deposed president of the Knickerbocker Trust Company, millionaire promoter, social leader, clubman and one of the best known men in New York City, shot himself in his mission at 38th street and Third avenue. It is largely to inability to endure the blot upon his business reputation which he feared would result from the suspension of the Knickerbocker Trust Company that Mr. Barney's closest friends attribute his act. He had been at the head of the trust company for many years and had seen it grow from a comparatively obscure concern to one of the leading financial institutions of the city. Then, almost without warning, came the crash. The resignation of Mr. Barney as president of the Knickerbocker was accepted by the directors and the next day the great trust company, with obligations to its depositors amounting to nearly \$70,000,000, was forced to suspend payment. In the run, which lasted less than a day, the enormous total of \$5,000,000 was paid across the counters.

Not since the murder of Stanford White by Harry Thaw on the roof of Madison Square Garden has there been a greater sensation than that caused by the self-destruction of Mr. Barney. In business, social, club and hotel circles the suicide was the one subject of conversation.

Strike Blockers Now in Demand. Now it is the "strike blocker" that is taking the place of the strike breaker in the eyes of employers. The employers against the labor unions, according to the article by Allen Sangree in American Industries, organ of the National Manufacturers' Association. "The unionizer is the man who, when an industrial crisis approaches in any line, joins a union, and by conferring with the employer and then the members of the union, learns the secret cause of the trouble. 'It is to this,' says Sangree, 'the unionizer moves the confidence of each and to industrialists of a class his identity must not be revealed. He is the 'ounce of prevention.' Sangree goes on to say that within the last year strike-blocking concerns have been established in every industrial center of the country. The operatives number thousands, and already more than a dozen big strikes have been averted by them. Their efforts are directed by men who combine the abilities of detective and labor leader. The phrase of the professional blockader is 'reason rather than force.' Thomas J. Farrell of New York is credited with being the leader of the strike blockers. He says he believes in unions, but seeks merely to eliminate the opportunities for graft.

Told in a Few Lines.

A monument to Bunsen is to be erected at Heidelberg. French mints coined \$84,000 of Swiss coins during 1909. The Persians have a different name for every day in the month. Street car men of Yonkers are called thieves—all strike and tie up the whole system. Grapes are still trodden with the bare feet in many of the vineyards of Spain and Italy.

One in 300 Insane.

According to the report of the New York State Commission on Lunacy, the total number of persons confined in institutions for the insane in that State is 24,575. This is a proportion of about one to every 300 of the population. The indications are that insanity has been steadily on the increase since 1897. While the percentage of foreign born to the population is 28, the percentage of foreign-born insane is 46. Insane patients of Irish and German ancestry are on the increase. While those of Russian, Austrian and Italian are increasing.

OKLAHOMA, FORTY-SIXTH STATE, ENTERS UNION.

Is the Richest, Most Populous and Most Promising of All Her Precursors.

With the proclamation of President Roosevelt Saturday, notifying the world that a new State had been born, Oklahoma took her place in the sisterhood of Uncle Sam. The new State is the richest and most promising ever admitted to the American Union. She has half as many people as all the thirteen original States combined when they achieved their independence. By actual count of noses she has six times the population of any other State ever received at the time of admission into the Union. She has fifty times the amount of wealth that could be claimed by any of her predecessors at the beginning of their State life, and has, what not one of them could show, all the arts and sciences, the improvements and progress that go to make a highly civilized commonwealth, from wireless telegraphy to the skyscraper, from the telephone to electrical farming. More than a million and a half persons claim the new State as theirs, and it will not be long after the census is taken in 1910 before the 2,000,000 mark will be passed. All the old States have sent their best blood into Oklahoma to give it cosmopolitan life, and no matter where you are from, if you travel within its borders you will find your own people. The farmer from New England is there raising cotton side by side with his northern cousin; the Louisiana planter has taken a homestead and is growing alfalfa and wheat, and the Pennsylvania and Oklahoma are digging coal or boring for oil, while the Californian and Texan are gaining wealth from mills or railroads or electric plants. There are thrift and push and energy everywhere. If Oklahoma has any lazy residents, they manage to conceal themselves, for the whole population seems on the move, continually. Spots that were grassy prairies are bustling towns today; yesterday's towns are cities now; the hotels cannot turn a few selected leaders.

He has received honors enough from the party, he says. He has been amply repaid by it for all he has done in its behalf. He will cheerfully serve in the ranks if another leader is chosen to make the fight. But should the party's choice fall on him, his address is Lincoln, Neb., the dog is tied and his door-bell is in good working order.

GOTHAM BANKER A SUICIDE.

Deposed President of the Knickerbocker Concession Shoots Himself.

Charles Tracy Barney deposed president of the Knickerbocker Trust Company, millionaire promoter, social leader, clubman and one of the best known men in New York City, shot himself in his mission at 38th street and Third avenue. It is largely to inability to endure the blot upon his business reputation which he feared would result from the suspension of the Knickerbocker Trust Company that Mr. Barney's closest friends attribute his act. He had been at the head of the trust company for many years and had seen it grow from a comparatively obscure concern to one of the leading financial institutions of the city. Then, almost without warning, came the crash. The resignation of Mr. Barney as president of the Knickerbocker was accepted by the directors and the next day the great trust company, with obligations to its depositors amounting to nearly \$70,000,000, was forced to suspend payment. In the run, which lasted less than a day, the enormous total of \$5,000,000 was paid across the counters.

Not since the murder of Stanford White by Harry Thaw on the roof of Madison Square Garden has there been a greater sensation than that caused by the self-destruction of Mr. Barney. In business, social, club and hotel circles the suicide was the one subject of conversation.

Strike Blockers Now in Demand. Now it is the "strike blocker" that is taking the place of the strike breaker in the eyes of employers. The employers against the labor unions, according to the article by Allen Sangree in American Industries, organ of the National Manufacturers' Association. "The unionizer is the man who, when an industrial crisis approaches in any line, joins a union, and by conferring with the employer and then the members of the union, learns the secret cause of the trouble. 'It is to this,' says Sangree, 'the unionizer moves the confidence of each and to industrialists of a class his identity must not be revealed. He is the 'ounce of prevention.' Sangree goes on to say that within the last year strike-blocking concerns have been established in every industrial center of the country. The operatives number thousands, and already more than a dozen big strikes have been averted by them. Their efforts are directed by men who combine the abilities of detective and labor leader. The phrase of the professional blockader is 'reason rather than force.' Thomas J. Farrell of New York is credited with being the leader of the strike blockers. He says he believes in unions, but seeks merely to eliminate the opportunities for graft.

Told in a Few Lines.

A monument to Bunsen is to be erected at Heidelberg. French mints coined \$84,000 of Swiss coins during 1909. The Persians have a different name for every day in the month. Street car men of Yonkers are called thieves—all strike and tie up the whole system. Grapes are still trodden with the bare feet in many of the vineyards of Spain and Italy.

One in 300 Insane.

According to the report of the New York State Commission on Lunacy, the total number of persons confined in institutions for the insane in that State is 24,575. This is a proportion of about one to every 300 of the population. The indications are that insanity has been steadily on the increase since 1897. While the percentage of foreign born to the population is 28, the percentage of foreign-born insane is 46. Insane patients of Irish and German ancestry are on the increase. While those of Russian, Austrian and Italian are increasing.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP

Estimates of appropriations aggregating \$23,481,011 are made by Gen. Alexander Mackenzie, chief of engineers of the army, for fortification work during the fiscal year 1910. This contemplates work in the United States, Cuba, Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Philippines. It includes: Gun and mortar batteries, \$4,489,900; electrical installations at seacoast fortifications, \$1,000,000; sites for fortifications and seacoast defenses, \$3,478,500; searchlights for harbor defenses, \$1,000,000; experimental automobile torpedoes, \$100,000; seacoast batteries at Guantanamo, \$1,020,000; Honolulu and Pearl harbor, \$1,110,000; Manila, \$6,488,000, and installation of electric plants at these places and at Subig bay, \$502,002. The modern works of defense now constructed represent an expenditure of approximately \$28,500,000 for engineering work alone. For the engineer work involved the completion of the defenses recommended by the Taft board the estimate is \$16,052,413. Gen. Mackenzie's report deals also with the improvement of rivers and harbors. It submits estimates aggregating \$27,000,000 for the fiscal year 1909.

There is to be an epidemic of railway regulation legislation in the various legislatures throughout the United States during the coming winter. Last winter there was an epidemic of two-cent-a-mile fare laws. The New York public utilities law, for which Gov. Hughes is responsible, and which is very sweeping in its provisions, is likely to be used as a model. The officials of the New York Public Service Commission have been deluged with inquiries for information and applications for copies of the law from every corner of the country, and the fact that the railway managers in New York have accepted the extreme forms of regulations provided in that law will be used as an unanswerable argument against any opposition that may be raised elsewhere.

In a formal statement issued at Washington President Roosevelt said the result of the elections was "extremely gratifying" and that he had sent a letter of congratulation to Mr. Henry of San Francisco. The victory in New Jersey, he says, is just what happened there in the middle of the McKinley administration nine years ago. As compared with the elections next preceding the last Presidential, or in 1903, the Republicans have done better. He thinks the President, considering especially the sweeping victory in Kentucky for the first time since the first McKinley vote. The result in Manhattan he finds to be due to purely local causes.

An important change in the regulations for acquiring homesteads on the public domain has been announced by Commissioner Ballinger of the general land office. As an additional prevention against fraud all persons making homestead entries on public lands after Nov. 1 will be required to prove actual residence on the land for four months before they will be permitted to "commute" the entries to obtain title by a cash payment. Herebefore the period of actual residence has been eight months. The ruling will not affect entries made prior to Nov. 1, 1907.

After a conference at the White House with Secretary Garfield of the Interior Department, Assistant Secretary O'Brien of the War Department, and Commissioner of Indian Affairs, the President decided to continue the policy of the Indian Bureau of furnishing the Indians an opportunity to work, and in case of their failure to take advantage of the opportunity, to devote their own resources. This is the result of the recent outbreak of a band of renegade Indians who have been on the Cheyenne River Reservation in North Dakota.

To the Committee on Paper of the American Newspaper-Publishers' Association which called at the White House, President Roosevelt intimated that he would urge Congress to repeal the tariff on print paper, wood pulp and the wood that goes into the manufacture of paper; also that he would have the Department of Justice investigate the paper trust to see if it had violated the laws.

The prompt acquiescence of the banks in the suggestion of the Treasury Department that other securities might be deposited with the treasury to take the place of government bonds, which latter could thus be used for taking out additional circulation, has considerably augmented the currency available for commercial use.

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The Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts has recently decided that the use of voting machines is not permissible under the constitution of that Commonwealth. This decision has aroused no little comment, and has led to the assertion that if the machine is unconstitutional in Massachusetts they must be also in New York and perhaps other States. It is pointed out, on the other hand, however, that this does not necessarily follow, as the fundamental law of Massachusetts is peculiar in its reference to the method in which the votes shall be cast.

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All Over the World.

At Fulbourn, England, the poor receive sixpence each for regular church attendance. Great Britain is rich in mosses. There are 290 varieties found on the British Islands. The county of London covers 75,442 acres, but the London police area is 44,342 acres. The ratio of pauperism in London has risen from 21.8 per 1,000 in 1890 to 20.4 in 1903. The Mexican government is giving attention to the problem of irrigating on a large scale. In Swiss restaurants natives generally pay a few cents less for food or drink than tourists. The value of diamonds as fancy stones can be materially increased by the action of radium. The first circulating library belonged to Pamphilus, prebyster of Caesarea, who lived in the third and fourth century A. D. He collected 80,000 religious books.

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EXCITES "SPIRIT OF LEVITY."

Should Be Used Only in Reverence—Said for Monuments or Temples of Justice.

"In God We Trust" is to disappear forever from United States coins, unless Congress acts contrary to the wish of President Roosevelt, and the latter appeals to the people of the nation to prevent such action. Mr. Roosevelt Wednesday came out squarely and decisively against having the sacred motto on money. He declares, in brief, that the inscription is a sacrilege when placed on filthy lucre, that it does positive harm and that it has been the cause of a great amount of irreverence. If Congress compels him to do so, the President says he will restore the words immediately, but not until then will he do so. He assumes full responsibility for the omission on the new gold coins and shows the warmth of his convictions in the matter in a response to various ministers' associations which have addressed the executive on the subject.

Letter Sets Forth His Views. In answer to one of the many protests received at the White House, President Roosevelt has written the following letter:

When the question of the new coinage came up we looked into the law and found there was no warrant therein for putting "In God We Trust" on the coins. As the custom, although without legal warrant, had grown up, however, I might have felt at liberty to keep the inscription had I approved its being on the coins. But as I did not approve of it, I did not direct that it should again be put on. Of course the matter of the law is absolutely in the hands of Congress and any direction of Congress in the matter will be immediately obeyed. At present, as I have said, there is no warrant in law for the inscription.

My own feeling in the matter is due to my very firm conviction that to put such a motto on coins, or to use it in any kind of manner, not only does no good, but does positive harm, and is in effect irreverence which comes dangerously close to sacrilege. A beautiful and solemn sentence such as the one in question should be treated and uttered only with that reverence which necessarily implies a certain exaltation of self. Any use which tends to cheapen it, and, above all, any use which tends to secure its being treated in a spirit of levity, is from every standpoint profoundly to be regretted.

It is a motto which it is indeed well to have inscribed on our great national monuments, in our temples of justice, in our legislative halls and in our courthouses, as those at West Point and Annapolis, in short, wherever it will tend to arouse and inspire a lofty emotion in those who look thereon. But it seems to me entirely unwise to cheapen such a motto by use on coins, just as it would be to cheapen it by use on postage stamps or in advertisements.

As regards its use on the coinage we have actual experience by which to go. In all my life I have never heard any human being speak reverently of this motto on the coins or show any signs of its having appealed to any high emotion in him, but I have literally hundreds of times heard it used as an occasion of and incentive to the sneering ridicule which it is above all things undesirable that should be attached to it. I have heard it used in a spirit of irreverence and exalted a phrase should be excited.

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the fullness at the neck and the waist are regulated by means of beading threaded with ribbon. As a consequence there are no buttons and button holes to mar the design of the blouse worn over it. In this instance embroidered Swiss muslin is trimmed with Valenciennes lace, but lawn, batiste, Paris muslin, all the materials that are used for corset covers are correct for this one. The corset cover is made simply with front and back. There are shoulder and under arm seams and the beading is arranged over the neck and the armholes edges and also over the waist line.

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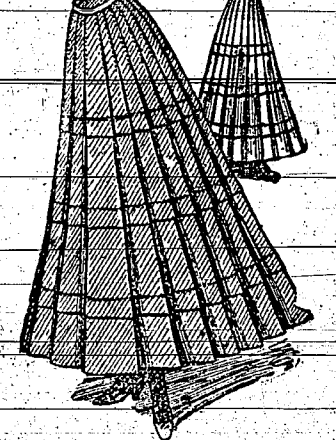
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Misses' Nine Gored Plated Skirt. The plated skirt is always becoming to young girls, and just now it is in the very height of style. This one is seven gored, so making the least possible bulk over the hips, while it is abundantly full at the lower portion. In the illustration it is made of dark blue serge trimmed with bands of dark material stitched with beading silk, but the skirt is appropriate for almost every seasonable material. The skirt is cut in nine gores and is laid in



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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, NOV. 21

Local and Neighborhood News.

Take Notice.

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Subscribers take Notice

On and after the first day of January, 1908, the subscription price of the **AVANCE** will be \$1.50 per year payable in advance. The price of paper is higher than ever before known, and the cost of all material used in the printing business has advanced to such an extent that this action is an imperative necessity if the paper is to be kept even self sustaining, to say nothing of any profit. All subscriptions received before January 1st, whether new or renewals, will be at \$1.00 per year.

A new advertising schedule will also be made for the coming year.

For fire insurance see R. W. Brink.

Pure candles and always fresh, at Sorenson's.

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Try a sack of "Light House" flour. None better for as good. S. H. Co.

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FOR RENT—A good seven room house. HANS SCHMIDT, Grayling Mich.

The Ladies of the Catholic Church will give a chicken pie supper at the Opera house Thursday night Nov. 21.

The best coffees and teas are found at the South Side Market.

Next time you eat chocolates eat the S. B. & A. brand, the kind that tastes like more.

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PIGS FOR SALE—I have some fine pigs about two months old for sale for \$2.00 each. F. R. DECKROW, Frederic, Mich.

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FOR SALE, WOOD—A few cords of dry jack pine \$1.75 per cord. Tamarack \$2.00 per cord. 16-inch. Leon J. Stephan.

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For best bread use "Light House" flour. Money refunded if not satisfactory. S. H. Co.

FOR RENT—A new house with seven rooms, kitchen and a good cellar. Inquire at my office A. P. W. BECKER.

A Bargain in Photographs to introduce our new platinum cabinet folders. We will make them for a short time only for \$3.00 per dozen, regular price \$5.00. Only one doz. to each customer. Call and see samples.

FOR SALE—A wagon for one or two horses, one horse sleigh, six feet runners, and one open buggy. Will be sold cheap. JAMES WERT, 2 1/2 miles north-east of Grayling.

The prize offered by the **Albion** Advertising Co. in the wood sawing contest at the Opera house was awarded to Miss Velma Farrell. The prize consisted of a set of silver plated knives, forks and spoons.

Reports from different parts of the country show that last Sunday 2 in. of snow fell in Detroit, 6 inches in William, V. Va., 2 inches in Cleveland, Ohio, 2 inches in western Kansas, and 2 inches in Colorado Springs, Col.

We are especially indebted to A. Kraus for the storage of our goods taken from the office during the fire, Sunday morning, and to G. L. Alexander, for caring for papers, and for offering us the use of the office for storing, as we might wish, and the same offer from Dr. H. H. Merriman. All of which is appreciated.

MIDNIGHT FIRE.

Sunday morning between twelve and one o'clock, our village—or the most of it, was awakened by the alarm of fire. We were sleeping the sweet sleep of "Youth and Innocence" when disturbed by a terrible thumping on the door by night watchman Nolan, who tipped his hat and advised us that this office was burning.

We came down to see, and found the wood house nearly consumed, and the adjoining store room going fast, while the south end of the office was a perfect sheet of flame, which quickly ate its way through doors and windows into the press room.

The boys with the machine were on their muscle and fought the fire inch by inch, until they cornered. No flame passed the center of the building, but the smoke was insupportable and the deluge of water did considerable damage. The water pressure was all that could be wished and there was never two lines of hose handled more perfectly.

While they were fighting the fire scores of our citizens had moved our law office, books, papers and furniture across the street and large quantities of stock and printing material, though the latter was badly damaged by smoke and some by water.

At this writing the loss has not been inventoried but is estimated at from \$1,200.00 to \$1,500.00, insured in the North River, or New York on the building, and the German, of Pittsburgh, on the printing outfit.

The fire was undoubtedly incendiary as there was never any fire in the building where it started. We fear there may be a fire bug in our midst.

You will notice that the **AVANCE** yet survives, notwithstanding?

Gama Phi Delta will meet on Friday evening the 22nd, at the home of Miss Florence Wakefield.

The Ladies' Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Countryman, Friday afternoon. Everybody come.

The Nichols Brothers of Roscommon, thrashed 334 bushels of clover seed and 12,321 bushels of different kinds of grain in Crawford county this season.

We are glad to be alive, and glad that we live in Grayling. The prompt work of citizens during our fire, and the words of sympathy and good cheer since, are better than gold.

Little Miss Cunningham mourns the loss of her little maltese and white kitten. Who will find and return it, and make the little lady happy? She brought it from Saginaw with the rest of her family.

We ask the indulgence of our readers this week if our columns are not quite up to the standard, typographically. Heat and water having twisted cuts, and really we have labored under some little disadvantage.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Kraus will entertain the Odd Fellows and their wives and the Rebekas and their husbands at their home, Friday evening Nov. 22nd, for the benefit of the new Odd Fellows Hall. Ten cents each is the fee.

An out-looker, who respectfully asked to look clear down in the bottom of their pocket, and if they find a dollar or more that ought to be in mine, send it in or bring it for I could use it all just now in my business, covering up the office ashes.

During our fire Sunday morning the store of Conine & Co. next east caught, and the flames quickly reached the cornice and roof, but was quickly extinguished with but small loss on building and small loss on feed by the water. It was close enough for comfort.

The girls of the Valhalla club met with Miss Laura Munn last Friday evening. Miss Nell Johnson of Roscommon and Miss Nettie Millikin of Beaver Creek were guests. After a pleasant evening the girls went to their several homes, thinking of the delightful lunch which had been served.

We are under obligation to the Roscommon News, for the privilege of using their office and press for this issue. Our forms and paper were taken there yesterday noon and returned at 8.30 in the evening, so that we are out practically on time. We have never missed an issue since 1881, and felt it was to late to begin.

At the Grange meeting Sat. the coming Farmer's Institute was discussed, resulting in appointing the following committee: L. B. Merrill of Beaver Creek, Perry Oster of Grayling with Henry Funck of South Branch as chairman to assist in perfecting and carrying out the program also to make a list of premium farms exhibits, the Grange to back them in their work all that can be will be done to make the coming institute a hummer. Every farmer in the county will have an opportunity to compete. Attend a hand once, and let the outside know that we are still alive.

Every other in a row is sold. The cores are made by a fast & good new covers but it is only a few days before we can rest our job work, as the jobbers will be in to get overhauling and repairs.

to resort to the old plan for the paper, until we have a new press as the heaviest fire we ever had on our press and we are up to the neck in debt. How much it will cost, I don't know, but it is entirely out of our power.

Letter From Washington.

Koplich, Wash. Nov. 6, 07.

Editor **AVANCE**.

Dear Sir:—I saw by the **AVANCE** of Oct. 31, a letter from D. C. Smith of Snokomis, Wash., which does not look good to me. Michigan is all right but it was not good enough for me and I did not run it down, nor my home town as long as it was my home, but now Washington is my home and I am here to stay. I did not come out here with the idea that I was going to "get rich quick." But there is lots of work here and good wages for any man who wants to work.

Snokomis is my town, or rather, I have a ranch between there and Everett, and I don't want you folks there in Grayling to think that I am starving to death. At the present time I am working at a coal mine. I get \$100 per month, house rent, coal, electric light and water free, and no loss time. We pay \$2.75 for common labor for eight hours work, that is the least paid here and we have 150 men working, some of them make as high as \$3 and \$9 per day. Mining does not cost much more here than it did there when I was there. I just had delivered at my house one half ton of potatoes at one cent per pound; I got the best flour here yesterday for \$5.40 per bbl., butter has never been over 40 cents per pound and that is for creamery, dairy is from 5 to 10 cents less; eggs are from 45 to 50 cents per dozen, but you don't have to buy them, and they never have been 75 cents since I have been in this country, good apples can be got for from 50 to 75 cents per box; wood when sold by the cord here is 4x8 feet or 3 ricks of 16 inch wood and is sold for \$5; coal here at the mine sells for from 1.25 to \$3.50 per ton and it is a good coal. Land can be bought here just the same as there, if one wants to buy acre tracts in the city they come rather high, but out in the country you can get it for \$10 per acre. Now if any of you want to come to Washington, don't let any home sick "knocker" make you think that you can't make a living here, as you can, and that is not all, you can put some money in the bank, and that is more than "I" could do in Michigan.

Yours Respectfully,

ARTHUR DRINK.

We return thanks to Mrs. A. B. Felling, now at Monroe, La., for a fine bouquet of Cotton Balls. We had not seen the plant growing since the war in Dixie. It is interesting.

Since writing of our fire, we have discovered some unexpected losses. All the wood type in the office is ruined, as well as nearly all of our printed cuts. The terrific heat and steam having warped them so they stand north-west and cross-heel.

The Albion Advertising Co. have held the boards at the opera house the past week, and have given excellent satisfaction. Their work is unique, but clean and inviting. The introduction of "woodsawing" and "nail driving contests" by our young ladies, made a world of amusement and interest.

Presbyterian Church.

The World's Temperance Sunday, November 24.

No service in a.m.

Sabbath School at 11.30 a.m.

C. E. Meeting at 6.00 p.m.

Evening service at 7.00. Subject—Temperance.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening, 7.00 p.m.

Twenty Century Club meets Tuesday evening at 7.00.

Bible Study class Fridays at 4 p.m.

All are cordially invited to attend these services. Bring your friends and spend an hour in worship.

REV. W. D. MACGREGOR, Pastor.

Union Thanksgiving Service.

The Presbyterian, Methodist Protestant and Methodist Episcopal Churches will hold a union Thanksgiving service in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Thursday Nov. 23 at 7.00 p.m. Rev. W. D. Macgregor will preach.

All are invited to attend this service and participate in an hour of praise and thanksgiving for the many blessings received at the hand of a kind Providence.

Hardy Happpings.

Mrs. Wm. S. Chalker and Mrs. J. Murphy of Erie Lake, called on Mrs. H. S. Back the other day.

Miss Mabel Woodburn has returned home from a visit here.

William Shirlow had his leg broken at Schner's camp near this place.

Amos Dick of Macristown, called on his parents Sunday.

Anders Vallad and son Fred to dinner with H. S. Back Sunday.

Albert Vallad and family have moved to Macristown.

Teaching services at the Hardy school house, Sunday evening at seven o'clock standard time.

Mr. Schner has got a store in Hardy.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Boddy and daughter Ethel called on Mrs. H. S. Back Sunday.

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Notice is hereby given that we will meet on Monday the 18th day of December A. D. 1907 and on Wednesday the 19th day of April A. D. 1908, at ten o'clock a.m. of each of those days at the residence of George Hartman, in the township of South Branch in said county, to receive and examine such claims.

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May 31. To bal on hand	\$920.04	May 1. By bal on hand	\$722.90
		31. " Tax collected	28.80
		31. " Tax sales	158.64
Total	\$920.04	Total	\$920.04
June 30. To bal on hand	\$935.48	June 1. By bal on hand	\$920.04
		30. " Tax collected	15.44
Total	\$935.48	Total	\$935.48
July 31. To bal on hand	\$947.61	July 1. By bal on hand	\$935.48
		31. " Tax collected	12.13
Total	\$947.61	Total	\$947.61
Sept 30. To bal on hand	\$967.19	Aug 1. By bal on hand	\$947.61
		31. " Tax collected	6.09
		31. " Tax sales	13.49
Total	\$967.19	Total	\$967.19

Soldiers Relief fund.

1907.	Dr.	1907.	Cr.
Jan 31. To orders paid	\$20.00	Jan 1. By bal on hand	\$139.07
31. " Bal on hand	120.11	31. " Tax collected	1.04
Total	\$140.11	Total	\$140.11
Feb 28. To orders paid	\$20.00	Feb 1. By bal on hand	\$120.11
28. " Bal on hand	100.11	28. " Tax collected	1.04
Total	\$120.11	Total	\$120.11
Mar 30. To bal on hand	\$102.21	Mar 1. By balance	\$100.11
		31. " Tax collected	2.10
Total	\$102.21	Total	\$102.21
June 30. To bal on hand	\$105.23	Apr 1. By bal on hand	\$102.21
		30. " Tax collected	3.02
Total	\$105.23	Total	\$105.23
Sept 30. To bal on hand	\$108.74	July 1. By bal on hand	\$105.23
		31. " Tax collected	3.51
Total	\$108.74	Total	\$108.74

Village of Grayling.

1907.	Dr.	1907.	Cr.
May 31. To bal on hand	\$2,227.50	Apr 30. By liquor license	\$1,090.00
		May 31. " Tax collected	247.50
Total	\$2,227.50	Total	\$2,227.50
July 9. To Village Treas	\$2,227.50	June 1. By bal on hand	\$2,227.50
Total	\$2,227.50	Total	\$2,227.50

Township of South Branch.

1907.	Dr.	1907.	Cr.
Jan 31. To town treas	\$1,263.14	Jan 1. By bal on hand	\$1,263.14
22 " bal on hand	15.55	31. " Tax collected	15.55
Total	\$1,263.14	Total	\$1,263.14
Feb 28. To bal on hand	\$1,263.14	Feb 1. By bal on hand	\$1,263.14
		28. " Tax collected	15.55
Total	\$1,263.14	Total	\$1,263.14
Mar 31. To chgd by A G	\$21.15	Mar 1. By bal on hand	\$1,263.14
31. " Soldiers relief fund	447.08	31. " Tax collected	220.49
31. " Balance	447.08	31. " State tax	225.65
		31. " Land sale	812.28
Total	\$1,263.14	Total	\$1,263.14
Apr 30. To bal on hand	\$462.92	Apr 1. By bal on hand	\$447.08
		30. " Tax collected	15.84
Total	\$462.92	Total	\$462.92
May 8. To state tax 1906	\$188.25	May 1. By bal on hand	\$462.92
8. " County tax	208.00	31. " Cash state tax	102.79
31. " Bal on hand	510.30	31. " County tax	165.18
		31. " Delinquent tax	82.35
		31. " County tax	130.72
		31. " Tax collected	18.74
		31. " Sales	37.79
Total	\$1,000.51	Total	\$1,000.51
June 30. To tax chgd by A G	\$4.28	June 1. By balance	\$510.30
30. " Soldiers R P	58	30. " Tax collected	2.17
30. " Town treas	447.08	30. " A G	447.08
30. " Bal on hand	482.02	30. " State tax homestead	\$11.55
		30. " Library money	137
Total	\$894.23	Total	\$894.23
July 1. To bal on hand	\$433.11	July 1. By bal on hand	\$482.02
		31. " Tax collected	1.99
Total	\$433.11	Total	\$433.11
Aug 31. To bal on hand	\$433.11	Aug 1. By balance	\$433.11
		31. " Tax collected	4.24
Total	\$433.11	Total	\$433.11
Sept 30. To chgd back A G	\$21.15	Sept 1. By balance	\$433.11
30. " Soldiers R	447.08	30. " Tax collected	15.55
30. " Town treas	447.08	30. " A G	447.08
30. " Bal on hand	482.02	30. " State tax homestead	11.55
		30. " Library money	137
Total	\$614.87	Total	\$614.87
Oct 1. Balance on hand	\$161.26		

Township Beaver Creek.

1907.	Dr.	1907.	Cr.
Jan 31. To town treas	\$1,308.53	Jan 1. To bal on hand	\$1,333.53
31. " Soldiers R	5.10	31. " Tax collected	213.77
31. " Bal on hand	5.10		
Total	\$1,308.53	Total	\$1,308.53
Feb 28. To bal on hand	\$107.77	Feb 1. By bal on hand	\$1,308.53
		28. " Tax collected	5.10
Total	\$107.77	Total	\$107.77
Mar 31. To Soldiers R	\$43	Mar 1. By bal on hand	\$1,308.53
31. " Bal on hand	3,026.97	31. " Tax collected	5.10
		31. " A G	447.08
		31. " State tax land	2,902.89
Total	\$3,070.40	Total	\$3,070.40
Apr 30. To bal on hand	\$3,070.40	Apr 1. By bal on hand	\$3,070.40
		30. " Tax collected	34.02
Total	\$3,070.40	Total	\$3,070.40
May 31. To State tax	\$131.61	May 1. By bal on hand	\$3,070.40
31. " County tax	210.40	31. " Cash by state tax	88.12
31. " Bal on hand	3,106.95	31. " " " " "	140.04
		31. " returns del a tax	43.49
		31. " " " " "	70.30
		31. " Tax collected	33.10
		31. " Sale	12.26
Total	\$3,448.96	Total	\$3,448.96
June 30. To Soldiers relief	\$55	June 1. By bal on hand	\$3,448.96
30. " Town treas	3,026.97	30. " Tax collected	15.85
30. " Bal on hand	473.24	30. " A G	447.08
		30. " homestead land	335.01
		30. " Library	8.28
Total	\$3,500.73	Total	\$3,500.73
July 31. To bal on hand	\$473.24	July 1. By bal on hand	\$473.24
		31. " Tax collected	2.40
Total	\$473.24	Total	\$473.24
Aug 31. To bal on hand	\$473.24	Aug 1. By bal on hand	\$473.24
		31. " Tax collected	1.19
Total	\$473.24	Total	\$473.24
Sept 30. To tax chgd to town	\$4.38	Sept 1. By bal on hand	\$473.24
30. " Soldiers relief	55	30. " Tax collected	15.85
30. " Town treas	473.24	30. " A G	447.08
30. " Bal on hand	473.24	30. " homestead land	335.01
		30. " Library	8.28
Total	\$791.75	Total	\$791.75
Oct 1. To bal on hand	\$313.76		

Township of Grayling.

1907.	Dr.	1907.	Cr.
Jan 31. To town treasurer	\$299.77	Jan 1. To bal on hand	\$299.77
31. " Soldiers relief	29	31. " Tax collected	21.60
31. " Bal on hand	21.31		
Total	\$321.37	Total	\$321.37
Feb 28. To bal on hand	\$29.27	Feb 1. By bal on hand	\$21.31
		28. " Tax collected	7.96
Total	\$29.27	Total	\$29.27
Mar 31. To tax chgd to town	\$6.67	Mar 1. By bal on hand	\$29.27
31. " Soldiers relief	5.50	31. " Tax collected	133.89
31. " Bal on hand	849.82	31. " And Gen	30.44
		31. " state tax land	657.39
Total	\$856.99	Total	\$856.99
Apr 30. To bal on hand	\$954.34	Apr 1. By bal on hand	\$849.82
		30. " Tax collected	104.52
Total	\$954.34	Total	\$954.34
May 31. To state tax 1906	\$2,236.94	May 1. By bal on hand	\$954.34
31. " county tax 1906	1,084.35	31. " Cash state tax	1,075.25
31. " bal on hand	1,021.29	31. " county	1,723.43
		31. " returned del	101.69
		31. " co del	260.92
		31. " tax roll del	47.33
		31. " Tax sales	19.62
Total	\$4,242.58	Total	\$4,242.58
June 30. To tax chgd to town	\$7.50	June 1. By bal on hand	\$1,021.29
30. " Soldiers relief	1.25	30. " Tax collected	15.44
30. " town treasurer	856.99	30. " Tax & library	24.12
30. " Bal on hand	489.32	30. " state homestead	86.07
		30. " Library	50.24
Total	\$1,354.00	Total	\$1,354.00
July 31. To bal on hand	\$570.91	July 1. By bal on hand	\$849.82
		31. " Tax collected	81.59
Total	\$570.91	Total	\$570.91
Aug 31. To bal on hand	\$570.91	Aug 1. By bal on hand	\$570.91
		31. " Tax collected	28.34
Total	\$570.91	Total	\$570.91
Sept 30. To tax chgd to town	\$89.27	Sept 1. By bal on hand	\$570.91
30. " Soldiers relief	1.75	30. " Tax collected	15.85
30. " town treasurer	856.99	30. " Tax & Gen	58.89
30. " Bal on hand	489.32	30. " state tax land	371.01
Total	\$1,552.20	Total	\$1,552.20
Oct 1. By bal on hand	\$962.80		

Township of Maple Forest.

1907.	Dr.	1907.	Cr.
Jan 31. To town treasurer	\$392.52	Jan 1. By bal on hand	\$392.52
31. " Soldiers relief	14	31. " Tax coll	24.09
31. " Bal on hand	23.98		
Total	\$410.61	Total	\$410.61
Feb 28. To bal on hand	\$297.72	Feb 1. By bal on hand	\$392.52
		28. " Tax collected	5.77
Total	\$297.72	Total	\$297.72
Mar 31. To tax chgd by A G	\$4.38	Mar 1. By bal on hand	\$297.72
31. " Soldiers relief	5.50	31. " Tax collected	103.71
31. " Bal on hand	805.14	31. " And Gen & lib	170.09
		31. " state homestead land	265.34
Total	\$856.99	Total	\$856.99
Apr 30. To bal on hand	\$554.34	Apr 1. By bal on hand	\$554.34
		30. " Tax collected	104.52
Total	\$554.34	Total	\$554.34
May 31. To state tax 1906	\$1,110.90	May 1. By bal on hand	\$554.34
31. " county tax 1906	1,084.35	31. " Cash state tax	351.05
31. " Bal on hand	74.02	31. " county tax	868.95
		31. " ret del state	42.75
		31. " county	104.36
		31. " Tax collected	55.00
		31. " Sale	104.36
Total	\$1,817.33	Total	\$1,817.33
June 30. To tax chgd to town	\$5.47	June 1. By bal on hand	\$745.02
30. " Soldiers relief	1.75	30. " Tax collected	11.77
30. " town treasurer	856.99	30. " state tax land	170.74
30. " Bal on hand	489.32	30. " Library	12.46
		30. " tax coll And Gen	158.00
Total	\$1,131.80	Total	\$1,131.80
July 31. To bal on hand	\$554.34	July 1. By bal on hand	\$554.34
		31. " Tax collected	5.50
Total	\$554.34	Total	\$554.34
Aug 31. To bal on hand	\$554.34	Aug 1. By bal on hand	\$554.34
		31. " Tax collected	5.50
Total	\$554.34	Total	\$554.34
Sept 1. To tax chgd to town	\$24.10	Sept 1. By bal on hand	\$554.34
1. " Soldiers relief	1.70	30. " Tax coll	8.25
1. " town treas	856.99	30. " and gen	130.12
30. " Bal on hand	297.07	30. " state tax land	148.96
Total	\$856.99	Total	\$856.99
Oct 1. By bal on hand	\$207.97		

Township of Frederic.

1897.	Dr.	1907.	Cr.
Jan 1. To bal on hand	\$123.58	Jan 1. By tax collected	\$102.40
31. " Soldiers relief	58		
31. " Bal on hand	184.24		
Total	\$306.40	Total	\$102.40
Feb 28. To bal on hand	\$102.40	Feb 1. By bal on hand	\$102.40
		28. " Tax collected	7.40
Total	\$102.40	Total	\$102.40
Mar 31. To Soldiers relief	\$15	Mar 1. By bal on hand	\$102.40
31. " bal on hand	38.08	31. " Tax coll	38.08
		31. " sale state tax land	34.68
Total	\$239.94	Total	\$239.94
Apr 31. To bal on hand	\$1,230.40	Apr 1. By bal on hand	\$239.94
		31. " Tax coll	6.07
		31. " liquor license	990.00
Total	\$1,230.40	Total	\$1,230.40
May 11. To state tax	\$1,161.15	May 1. By bal on hand	\$1,230.40
11. " county tax	1,800.30	31. " cash state tax	1,138.51
31. " bal on hand	1,472.96	31. " " " "	1,818.74
		31. " ret del state tax	25.84
		31. " " " "	41.70
		31. " liquor license	247.50
Total	\$4,490.61	Total	\$4,490.61
June 30. To town treas	\$230.79	June 1. By bal on hand	\$1,472.96
30. " Soldiers relief	55	30. " Tax coll	22.17
30. " Bal on hand	1,472.96	30. " sale state tax land	45.08
		30. " Library	20.70
Total	\$3,236.51	Total	\$1,560.51
July 7. To town treas	\$1,230.40	July 1. By bal on hand	\$1,326.80
31. " bal on hand	20.04	31. " Tax coll	1.34
Total	\$1,250.44	Total	\$1,326.80
Aug 31. To bal on hand	\$93.11	Aug 1. By bal on hand	\$93.11
		31. " Tax collected	2.17
Total	\$93.11	Total	\$93.11
Sept 1. To tax chgd town	\$22.15	Sept 30. To bal on hand	\$93.11
30. " Soldiers relief	42	30. " Tax coll	6.38
30. " town treas	80.00	30. " state tax land	5.50
30. " Bal on hand	307.85	30. " sale state tax land	315.11
Total	\$419.42	Total	\$419.42
Oct 1. By bal on hand	\$307.85		

Balance Account.

1907.	Dr.	1907.	Cr.
Jan 31. Cash account	\$6,805.81	Jan 31. Contingent fund	\$3,734.31
		31. Poor fund	369.28
		31. Institute fund	5.50
		31. Library fund	25.00
		31. Soldiers relief fund	2,279.26
		31. State fund	73.20
		31. Hunters license fund	5.10
		31. Beaver Creek town	21.31
		31. Grayling township	4.55
		31. South branch town	23.95
		31. Maple Forest town	154.24
		31. Frederic township	
Total	\$6,805.81	Total	\$6,805.81
Feb 28. Cash account	\$10,357.85	Feb 28. Contingent fund	\$7,312.81
		28. Poor fund	296.44
		28. Library fund	30.00
		28. Institute fund	5.50
		28. State fund	2,295.35
		28. Hunters license	73.20
		28. Soldiers relief fund	100.11
		28. South Branch town	10.04
		28. Beaver Creek town	10.77
		28. Grayling township	29.72
		28. Maple Forest town	164.60
		28. Frederic township	
Total	\$10,357.85	Total	\$10,357.85
Mar 31. Cash account	\$11,510.50	Mar 31. Contingent fund	\$5,495.96
		31. Poor fund	248.00
		31. Library fund	64.50
		31. Institute fund	15.00
		31. State fund	682.10
		31. Hunters license fund	73.20
		31. Soldiers relief fund	102.20
		31. South Branch town	447.00
		31. Beaver Creek town	3,026.90
		31. Grayling township	244.80
		31. Maple Forest town	552.10
		31. Frederic township	23.47
Total	\$11,510.50	Total	\$11,510.50
Apr 30. Cash account	\$16,572.55	Apr 30. Contingent fund	\$7,221.70
		30. Poor fund	221.70
		30. Library fund	64.50
		30. Institute fund	15.00
		30. Village of Grayling	1,922.70
		30. State account	723.20
		30. Hunters license fund	73.20
		30. Soldiers relief fund	102.20
		30. South Branch town	462.00
		30. Beaver Creek town	3,664.40
		30. Grayling township	254.80
		30. Maple Forest town	585.10
		30. Frederic township	1,239.00
Total	\$16,572.55	Total	\$16,572.55
May 31. Cash account	\$20,572.62	May 31. Contingent fund	\$9,345.45
		31. Poor fund	404.00
		31. Library fund	64.50
		31. Institute fund	15.00
		31. Village of Grayling	1,454.00
		31. State fund	17.00
		31. Village of Grayling	2,227.00
		31. State account	920.00
		31. Hunters license fund	73.20
		31. Soldiers relief fund	102.20
		31. South Branch town	519.00
		31. Beaver Creek town	3,100.00
		31. Grayling township	1,021.00
		31. Maple Forest town	748.00
		31. Frederic township	2,477.00
Total	\$20,572.62	Total	\$20,572.62
June 30. Cash account	\$14,342.01	June 30. Contingent fund	\$19,443.01
		30. Poor fund	44.00
		30. Institute fund	17.00
		30. Village of Grayling	2,227.00
		30. State account	975.00
		30. Hunters license fund	103.00
		30. Soldiers relief fund	102.20
		30. South Branch town	473.00
		30. Beaver Creek town	4,170.00
		30. Grayling township	1,480.00
		30. Maple Forest town	548.00
		30. Frederic township	1,330.00
Total	\$14,342.01	Total	\$19,443.01
July 31. Cash account	\$10,177.90	July 31. Contingent fund	\$6,775.00
31. Poor fund	101.44	31. Institute fund	2.00
		31. State account	2.00
		31. Hunters license fund	73.20
		31. Soldiers relief fund	102.20
		31. South Branch town	45.00
		31. Beaver Creek town	4,170.00
		31. Grayling township	1,021.00
		31. Maple Forest town	590.00
		31. Frederic township	1,330.00
Total	\$10,279.34	Total	\$10,279.34
Aug 31. Cash account	\$9,733.04	Aug 31. Contingent fund	\$6,805.81
31. Poor fund	184.80	31. Institute fund	2.00
		31. Hunters license fund	73.20
		31. Soldiers relief fund	102.20
		31. South Branch town	45.00
		31. Beaver Creek town	4,170.00
		31. Grayling township	1,021.00
		31. Maple Forest town	590.00
		31. Frederic township	1,330.00
Total	\$9,924.47	Total	\$9,924.47
Sept 30. Cash account	\$9,219.76	Sept 30. Contingent fund	\$6,805.81
30. Poor fund	305.02	30. Institute fund	2.00
		30. State account	2.00
		30. Hunters license fund	73.20
		30. Soldiers relief fund	102.20
		30. South Branch town	45.00
		30. Beaver Creek town	4,170.00
		30. Grayling township	1,021.00
		30. Maple Forest town	590.00
		30. Frederic township	1,330.00
Total	\$9,515.02	Total	\$9,515.02

Crawford Avalanche.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, NOV. 21

Local and Neighborhood News.

Take Notice.

The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are one dollar per year IN ADVANCE. If your time is up, please renew promptly. A \$ following your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondences, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

Subscribers take Notice

On and after the first day of January, 1908, the subscription price of the **AVANCE** will be \$1.50 per year payable in advance. The price of paper is higher than ever before known, and the cost of all material used in the printing business has advanced to such an extent that this action is an imperative necessity if the paper is to be kept even self sustaining, to say nothing of any profit. All subscriptions received before January 1st, whether new or renewals will be at \$1.00 per year.

A new advertising schedule will also be made for the coming year.

For fire insurance see R. W. Brink.

Pure candies and always fresh, at Sorenson's.

To think of Post Cards is to think of us.

SPRINKSON'S FURNITURE STORE.

Try a sack of "Light House" flour.

None better for good. S. H. Co.

Revenge is sweet, but it's nothing like S. B. & A. chocolates. Get them at Sorenson's.

FOR RENT—A good seven room house.

HANS SCHMIDT

Grayling Mich.

The ladies of the Catholic Church will give a chicken pie supper at the Opera house Thursday night Nov. 21.

The best coffees and teas are found at the South Side Market.

Next time you eat chocolates at the S. B. & A. brand, the kind that tastes like more.

Look up our subscription offers, and arrange for your next years reading at once.

PIGS FOR SALE—I have some fine pigs about two months old for sale for \$2.00 each. F. R. DECKROW

Frederic, Mich.

The S. B. & A. Chocolates are famous. Why? Because they are good. Get them at Sorenson's.

"Light House" flour, the best in the market. Come and get a sack.

S. H. Co.

Do your best always. You could do nothing better than to get a nice Post Card at Sorenson's and send to some forgotten friend.

FOR SALE, WOOD—A few cords of dry jack pine \$1.75 per cord. Tanrask \$2.00 per cord. 16 inch. Leon J. Stephan.

Dressed chickens every day at South Side Market.

For sewing machines, the best in the market, and at the lowest price, call at the **AVANCE** office.

FOR SALE—N 1/2 of S 1/2 Sec. 32, Town 27 north, Range 1 west, 80 acres By Day & Powers, Springport, Mich.

For best bread use "Light House" flour. Money refunded if no satis-

factory. S. H. Co.

FOR RENT—A new house with seven rooms, kitchen and a good cellar. Inquire at my office. A. P. W. DECKER.

A Baryain in Photographs to introduce our new platinum cabinet to ders. We will make them for a short time only for \$3.00 per dozen, regular price \$5.00. Only one doz. to each customer. Call and see samples.

FOR SALE—A wagon for one or two horses, one one-horse sleigh, six feet runners, and one open buggy. Will be sold cheap. JAMES WERT 2 1/2 miles north-east of Grayling.

The prize offered by the Alb's Advertising Co. in the wood sawing contest at the Opera house was awarded to Miss Velma Farrah. The prize consisted of a set of silver plated knives, forks and spoons.

Reports from different parts of the country show that last Sunday 2 in. of snow fell in Detroit, 6 inches in William, W. Va., 2 inches in Cleveland, Ohio, 2 inches in western Kansas, and 2 inches in Colorado Springs, Col.

We are especially indebted to A. Kraus for the storage of our goods taken from the office, during the fire, Sunday morning, and to G. L. Alexander for caring for papers, and offering us the use of his office for storing, as we might wish, and the same offer from Dr. H. H. Merriman. All of which is appreciated.

MIDNIGHT FIRE.

Sunday morning between twelve and one o'clock, our village—pr the most of it—was awakened by the alarm of fire. We were sleeping the sweet sleep of "Youth and Innocence" when disturbed by a terrible thumping on the door by night watchman Nolan, who tipped his hat and advised us that this office was burning.

We came down to see, and found the wood house nearly consumed, and the adjoining store room going fast, while the south end of the office was a perfect sheet of flame, which quickly ate its way through doors and windows into the press room.

The "boys with the machine" were on their muscle and fought the fire inch by inch, until they conquered. No flame passed the center of the building, but the smoke was into the air and the deluge of water did considerable damage. The water pressure was all that could be wished and there was never two lines of hose handled more perfectly.

While they were fighting the fire scores of our citizens had moved out law office, books, papers and furniture across the street and large quantities of stock and printing material, though the latter was badly damaged by smoke and some by water.

At this writing the loss has not been inventoried, but is estimated at from \$1,200.00 to \$1,500.00, insured in the North River, of New York on the building, and the German, of Pittsburgh, on the printing outfit.

The fire was undoubtedly incendiary as there was never any fire in the building where it started. We fear there may be a fire bug in our midst.

You will notice that the **AVANCE** yet slides, notwithstanding.

Gama Phi Delta will meet on Friday evening the 22nd, at the home of Miss Florence Wakefield.

The Ladies' Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Countryman, Friday afternoon. Everybody come.

The Nichols Brothers of Roscommon, thrashed 554 bushels of clover seed and 12,321 bushels of different kinds of grain in Crawford county this season.

We are glad to be alive, and glad that we live in Grayling. The prompt work of citizens during our fire, and the words of sympathy and good cheer since, are better than gold.

Little Miss Cunningham mourns the loss of her little mallet and white kitten. Who will find and return it, and make the little lady happy? She brought it from Saginaw with the rest of her family.

We ask the indulgence of our readers this week if our columns are not quite up to the standard, typographically. Heat and water having twisted cuts, and really we have labored under some little disadvantage.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Kraus will entertain the Odd Fellows and their wives and the Rebekas and their husbands at their home, Friday evening Nov. 22nd, for the benefit of the new Odd Fellows Hall. Ten cents each is the fee.

All our readers are respectfully asked to look clear down in the bottom of their pocket, and if they find a dollar or more that ought to be in mine, send it in or bring it, for I could use it all just now in my business, covering up the office ashes.

During our fire Sunday morning the store of Collins & Co. next east caught, and the flames quickly reached the cornice and roof, but was quickly extinguished with but small loss on building and small loss on feed by the water. It was close enough for comfort.

The girls of the Valthalla club met with Miss Laura Mann last Friday evening. Miss Nell Johnson of Roscommon and Miss Nettie Millikin of Beaver Creek were guests. After a pleasant evening the girls went to their several homes, thinking of the delightful lunch which had been served.

We are under obligation to the Roscommon News, for the privilege of using their office and press for this issue. Our forms and paper were taken there yesterday noon and returned at 8.30 in the evening, so that we are out practically on time. We have never missed an issue since 1881, and felt it was to late to begin.

At the Grange meeting Sat. the coming Farmer's Institute was discussed, resulting in appointing the following committee: L. B. Merrill of Beaver Creek, Perry Osterander of Grayling with Henry Funch of South Branch as chairman to assist in perfecting and carrying out the program also to make a list of premium on farm exhibits, the Grange to back them in their work, all that can be will be done to make the coming institute a hummer. Every farmer in the county will have an opportunity to compete. Lead a hand once, and let the outside know the we are still alive.

Every corner in the village is filled with the cores are made by the fire, before we can rest our heads, as the jobbers will be overhauling, and the paper, until the heaviest fire bell and we will know how much it is entirely out of our

Letter From Washington.

Koplah, Wash. Nov. 6, 07.
Editor **AVANCE**.
Dear Sir—I saw by the **AVANCE** of Oct. 31, a letter from D. C. Smith of Snokomish, Wash., which does not look good to me. Michigan is all right but it was not good enough for me and I did not run it down, nor my home town as long as it was my home, but now Washington is my home and I am here to stay. I did not come out here with the idea that I was going to "get rich quick." But there is lots of work here and good wages for any man who wants to work.

Snokomish is my town, or rather, I have a ranch between there and Everett, and I don't want you folks there in Gr. trying to think that I am starting to death. At the present time I am working at a coal mine; I get \$100 per month, house rent, coal, electric light and water free, and no lost time. We pay \$2.75 for common labor for eight hours work, that is the least paid here and we have 150 m/h working, some of them make as high as \$8 and \$9 per day. Living does not cost much more here than it did there when I was there. I have had delivered at my house one half ton of potatoes at one cent per pound; I got the best flour here yesterday for \$5.40 per bbl., butter has never been over 40 cents per pound and that is for creamery, dairy is from 5 to 10 cents less; eggs are from 12 to 15 cents, but do not have to buy them, and they never have been 75 cents since I have been in this country, good apples can be got for from 50 to 75 cents per box; wood when sold by the cord here is 4x8 feet or 3 sticks of 16 inch wood and is sold for \$5; coal here at the mine sells for from 1.25 to \$3.50 per ton and it is a good coal. Land can be bought here just the same as there, if one wants to buy acre tracts in the city they come rather high, but out in the country you can get it for \$10 per acre. Now if any of you want to come to Washington, don't let any home sick "knocker" make you think that you can't make a living here, as you can, and that is not all, you can put some money in the bank, and that is more than "I" could do in Michigan.

Yours Respectfully,
ARTHUR BRINK.

We return thanks to Mrs. A. B. Fairing, now at Monroe, La., for a fine bouquet of Cotton Balls. We had not seen the plant growing since the war in Dixie. It is interesting.

Since writing of our fire we have discovered some unexpected losses. All the wood type in the office is ruined, as well as nearly all of our half-toned cuts. The terrific heat and steam having warped them so they stand north and south.

The Alb's Advertising Co. have held the boards at the opera house the past week, and have given excellent satisfaction. Their work is unique, but clean and inviting. The introduction of "woodsawing" and "nail driving contests" by our young ladies, made a world of amusement and interest.

Presbyterian Church.

The World's Temperance Sunday.

November 24.

No service in a. m.

Sabbath School at 11:30 a. m.

C. E. Meeting at 6:00 p. m.

Evening service at 7:30. Subject—Temperance.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening.

7:00 p. m.

Twenty-Century Club meets Tuesday evenings at 7:30.

Bible Study class Fridays at 8 p. m.

All are cordially invited to attend these services. Bring your friends and spend an hour in worship.

REV. W. B. MACGREGOR, Pastor.

Union Thanksgiving Service.

The Presbyterian, Methodist, Protestant and Methodist Episcopal Churches will hold a union Thanksgiving service in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Thursday Nov. 28 at 7:00 p. m. Rev. W. B. Macgregor will preach.

All are invited to attend this service and participate in an hour of praise and thanksgiving for the many blessings received at the hand of a kind Providence.

Hardgrove Happenings.

Mrs. Wm. S. Chalker and Mrs. Jas. Murphy of Fair Lake, called on Mrs. H. S. Buck the other day.

Miss Mabel Woodburn has returned home from a visit here.

William Sharlow had his leg broken at Schriener's camp near this place.

Amos Buck of Appleton, called on his parent Sunday.

Adora Vallad and son Fred called on Mrs. H. S. Buck Sunday.

Albert Vallad and family have moved to Marquette.

Teaching services at the Hardgrove school house, Sunday evening at seven o'clock standard time.

Mr. Schriener has got a store in Hardgrove.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Duddy and daughter Ethel called on Mrs. H. S. Buck Sunday.

For Fire Insurance call on O. Palmer

ABOUT CONFECTIONERY!

Did you ever stop to think, when buying confectionery, whether you were getting the best candy or not? We sell the famous

S. B. & A. CHOCOLATES;


when you buy this, you get the best. Each one stamped S. B. & A. they conform to every requirement of the Pure Food Law.

We Would Suggest

that you try one of the most delightful eating Confectionery made.

We aim to satisfy every customer every time.

Sorenson's Confectionery Department.



Mo-KA COFFEE

Give Universal Satisfaction.

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Comment it to All Lovers of Good Coffee.

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Success in life depends on your thrift and the habit you cultivate for saving!

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COMMERCIAL PAPER DISCOUNTED.

Banking hours 9 to 12--1.30 to 4:00 p. m.

Notice of Commissioners on Claims.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.)
(COUNTY OF CRAWFORD.) ss.
Probate Court for said County.
Estate of Loretta L. Thompson, deceased.
The undersigned having been appointed by the Judge of Probate, of said county, Commissioners on Claims in the matter of said estate, and six months from the 15th day of October, A. D. 1907, having been allowed by said Judge of Probate, to all persons holding claims against said estate, in which to present their claims to us for examination and adjustment.

Notice is hereby given that we will meet on Monday the 18th day of December A. D. 1907 and on Wednesday the 15th day of April A. D. 1908, at ten o'clock a. m. of each of these days at the residence of George Harman in the township of South Branch in said county, to receive and examine such claims.

Dated Oct. 30 A. D. 1907.
GEORGE HARMAN
JAMES F. CRANE
Commissioners.

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New arrival in LADIES' COATS



Regardless of the fact that we are better prepared than in past seasons, we have had a remarkable sale in Ladies' Garments. This necessitated our buying a second lot, which we have just received. They are some of the latest styles out, direct from the Fashion centers and as the season is advanced, we secured them at considerable saving.

We are offering splendid values at \$5.00 and up that you cannot duplicate at other stores at 1-4 to 1-2 more.

Childrens Coats in Bear Skin, Astrachans, Fancy Plaids and plain materials.

A new line of fall and Winter Plaid Dress Goods just received, 45 inches wide. All wool 75c a yard.

Ladies' Long Kid Gloves at \$2.25 and \$3.00 in black and white.

Mens' Wearables. We are fully prepared to fill your wants in suits and overcoats. The very newest in style and patterns are shown.

Mens' and Boys caps 50c to \$1.50.

Boys' School shoes, Suits and Gloves.

Grayling Mercantile Co.,

Phonographs

The Edison.

conceded by all to be the best. The sapphire point does not require changing, neither does it scratch or mar the records. I have them as low as \$12.50. Gold molded records 35 cents each. A call will convince you of their merits.

It will pay you to look over my large line of up to date jewelry. Xmas is coming, call early and have articles laid away for you. No trouble to show goods.

A beautiful display of hand painted china just in.

C. J. HATHAWAY,
Graduate Optometrist, Watchmaker and Jeweler.

Drugs. Patent Medicines.

Central Drug Store

A new odor in perfumes

"Fluffy Ruffles"

50c. per oz. TRY IT! It's Good.

Bring us your Family Receipts. Prescription Work a Specialty

J. A. MORRISON, Manager.

Candy. Cigar

The Boom Continues!

Lots sold on monthly payments.

Brink's Addition on the South side had more dwelling houses built on in the past two years than any other two additions in the village of Grayling.

Don't Pay Rent! Get Yourself a Home!

TERMS TO SUIT PURCHASER.

W. E. BRINK.

MAUDE'S THANKSGIVING

While the autumn days are calling,
 Calling, calling, and the leaves are falling,
 From the trees the leaves are falling,
 Calling, calling, leaves and seed,
 Other days I can recall,
 Many a bright and happy fall,
 But in memory bring me back again with
 you and Maude's Thanksgiving.
 There's a thought to be thought of,
 A thought of the year,
 As the thought of old Thanksgiving days at
 Grandpa's on the farm.
 Even tho' it might be snowing,
 Showing, showing, fast and long,
 And November winds be blowing,
 Blowing, blowing, wild and strong,
 Safe at Grandpa's from the storm,
 All was pleasant, bright and warm.
 Oh, how much there was for dinner; more
 to eat when we were through;
 And so good—such dainties,
 Little as Maude, as well as I,
 As I think of old Thanksgiving days with
 Grandpa and Aunt Lou.
 And the songs we then were singing,
 Singing, singing, long and low,
 Through the night, and the morning ringing,
 Ringing, ringing, sweet and low;
 These with legends that were told
 On Thanksgiving days of old,
 As we gathered, bound together by love's
 sweet and magic charm,
 These the best of all that hold dear,
 Tho' the loved ones be not near,
 Who so much enjoyed Thanksgiving day at
 Grandpa's on the farm.
 Twentieth Century Farmer.

Her Neighbors' Blessings

BY HOPE DABING.

"Why, Edith."
 "What is it?" Mrs. Matthews asked as
 she regarded the oatmeal of Maude, the
 larger one of the twins.
 "The day after to-morrow is Thank-
 giving. Had you forgotten it?"
 Edith Matthews paused before re-
 sponding to her husband's question. The pause
 might have been accounted for by the fact
 that Maude, the other twin, insisted that
 her oatmeal should likewise be resuscitated.
 After attending to this Mrs. Matthews
 sat listlessly. "No, I had not forgotten
 it. But it doesn't make any difference
 anyway."
 "What, Thanksgiving not make any
 difference? Why, Edith, what is the
 matter?" and Ziffan Matthews set down
 his coffee cup and stared at his wife.
 She shrugged her shoulders. "Is it the
 dinner you mean? Well, send up what-
 ever you like. As to the real spirit of

THANKSGIVING MORNING AT THE OLD HOMESTEAD.



Cincinnati Post.

Thanksgiving. I've nothing to be es-
 pecially thankful for. Oh, dear! The baby
 is crying," and leaving her breakfast,
 Mrs. Matthews hurried away.
 "Poor little woman," thought her hus-
 band. "She has to work too hard. I
 wish I could afford to keep a girl for
 her. But nothing to be thankful for, that
 doesn't sound like Edith."
 When Edith had been hushed to
 sleep it was time for Hiram to start for
 the store. He had lifted the twins from
 their high chairs and untied their bibs.
 He had also thoughtfully put the coffee
 pot on the stove and the steak in the oven
 that Edith might not find her breakfast
 cold when she had time to finish it.
 "Good-by, little," he said, draw-
 ing her to him. "I'll send up something
 for Thanksgiving and see Mrs. Murphy
 about coming to help you to-morrow.
 Don't do much extra work for there will
 be just enough. How I wish we could
 have gone to the old home. Still I feel
 like giving thanks. Edith, for my home,
 my babies and you."
 Words like these are usually sweet to
 a wife. But Edith had been kept awake
 the greater part of the night by a teeth-
 ing baby, so she replied wearily. "Get
 whatever you like. Perhaps I should feel
 thankful if we were rich."
 "I hope we may be some day," Hiram
 began; but she interrupted him imper-
 tunately.
 "Some day! When I am old and gray.
 It is now I want the things money can
 buy, luxuries for my babies, leisure for
 you and me, time to develop my nature.
 Well, I'll postpone my thanksgiving till
 I have something to give thanks for."
 In spite of her flippancy words, Edith
 clung for a moment to her husband's arm
 as he went to the door. She whispered to-
 derly. "My darling, and going out at-
 tempted to close the door softly behind
 him.
 But the sharp November wind caught
 him from behind and it slammed so
 loudly that Edith started up with a free-
 ful cry. At the same moment Maude
 managed to upset a glass of water for
 which she had been reaching and added
 her cries to Edith's.
 "Thankful, indeed," Edith said, as af-
 ter a few moments of alternate sobbing
 and scolding she succeeded in quieting
 both children. She sat down at the sit-
 ting room window with Edith in her
 arms and looking at the house across the
 way.

building an imposing block house on the
 rug in front of the open fire.
 "How happy they are," the young
 mother thought. "If I could have a
 nurse to care for them and leisure to
 teach them! As it is I've hardly time to
 listen to their prayers."
 Just then a loud cry reached her. The
 half-door of the house opposite was dashed
 open and a woman came flying down the
 steps, shrieking for help. It was Mrs.
 Ashley, and close behind her came the
 half-dressed figure of a man. Edith could
 see his clenched fist uplifted while dread-
 ful outcries reached her ears.
 In a moment the scene was one of con-
 fusion. The woman rushed out scream-
 ing. Edith hurried to the door in time
 to see a policeman trip up the frantic
 man and to hear the nurse, girl, who had
 the Ashley child in her arms, say:
 "Oh, he'll be all right in the morn-
 ing. I wish they'd hurry up and get
 things quiet. This baby is shivering with
 the cold."
 "Will you bring the little girl in by
 me first?" Edith asked.
 "I'll be glad to, ma'am; for a min-
 ute. You scared, or did you know?"
 the girl continued, as she followed Mrs.
 Matthews into the sitting room.
 "Know what?" Edith asked, lighting a
 lamp. "Who was that man?"
 "Land! It was the master, Mr. Ash-
 ley," and Norah proceeded to rub little

with a sigh. "I've nursed her since she
 was born and I love her better than
 the mother who bore her does. But, ma'am,
 it's easy to see Bernice isn't just right.
 The doctor says she can't live long. There
 were two babies before her and they both
 went sudden-like. No constitutions, you
 see."
 An exclamation of horror broke from
 Mrs. Matthews' lips. "The poor mother!
 How can she bear it?"
 Norah shrugged her shoulders and re-
 sponded. "I must be going. You've been very
 kind, ma'am. As to the mistress, she has
 society and fine clothes. Don't blame
 her too much. I think that brute killed
 her woman's soul years ago. We give a
 big dinner to-morrow night. The nurse
 will be sobered by that time. Giving
 thanks, you know. Now, Bernice, pet,
 Norah will take you home and put you
 to bed."
 Edith accompanied her mother to the
 door. As she stood watching her cross
 the street, a brisk step came up the
 walk.
 "I'm late, little wife," and Hiram
 Matthews stooped for the kiss which he
 never forgot. "Why, Edith, you are cry-
 ing!"
 "Oh, Hiram, I am so glad to-morrow
 is Thanksgiving. Glad. May the dear
 Father in Heaven forgive me for my
 wicked words and thoughts. I've so
 much to be thankful for. Come in by
 the fire and I'll tell you all about it!"
 Womankind.

Thanksgiving Favors.
 Boxes of all kinds of shapes appropri-
 ate for the day can be found in the shops.
 Roast turkeys, fruits of any kind, plum
 puddings, baked beans, pumpkins in every
 size, and all kinds of vegetables are mod-
 elled very naturally in paper-mache, and
 are to be filled with small candles or salt
 tarts.
 Then, any ingenious woman may plan
 her own favors and make them herself.
 Doll heads can be dressed as demure Pur-
 itan maids or turned into Pilgrim Fathers
 with peaked hats and stiff collars.
 Witches, most unapparently associated with
 Puritan days, can be manufactured; tur-
 key feathers made into Indian head-
 dresses, and necklaces of red and yellow
 corn are all suitable.
 The hardest task is the hunting up of
 appropriate quotations. We may look
 for these among the New England poets
 and the speeches of American patriots.
 "One may make funny figures out of veg-
 etables and fruits, transforming an orange
 into a jolly Chinese boy, a lemon into a
 fat boy—or quaint things can be made
 out of dates and figs."

Old Reliable.
 Mrs. Oatlin—How'd them turkeys go
 was raisin' fur Thanksgiving turn out,
 S'it?
 Mr. Cornish—Well, the last one we
 hed died in July, but we're gona' buy
 some prime pork sausage—Puck.



WE GIVE A BIG DINNER TO-MORROW NIGHT.

THANKSGIVING DAY.



THANKSGIVING DAY is peculiarly American, pecu-
 liarly our own. No other nation on earth has a hol-
 iday like it, probably no other nation would have ever
 conceived such a holiday. It is American all the way
 through—in spirit, and in the chief item of the bill of
 fare, to-wit: the noble American turkey.
 Thanksgiving day was originally an agricultural
 festival and its celebration was confined to the par-
 ticular locality in which it originated. But to-day it
 is national. Every true American man, woman or
 child, loves this glad day, in which a people pours
 out its thanks to the Almighty for the bounteous
 blessings vouchsafed during the preceding twelve
 months.
 To-day our thanks are not merely for good crops,
 but for the peace of our country among the nations
 of the world, for the prosperity of every line of
 business and industry, for the freedom from pesti-
 lence, and the various and sundry other blessings
 which a generous Providence has poured upon us.
 It is an inspiring thought, that of a great people, with common accord,
 offering prayers of thanks to the Giver of All Things. It is not a matter of
 creed, not a matter of faith, but a universal ground upon which all can
 meet and participate, no matter what the form of worship may be. Chris-
 tian, Jew, Mohammedan, whatever creed a man holds to, he acknowledges
 the sovereignty of a Supreme Being, and on this, our Thanksgiving day, he
 utters his gratitude for all that which the Omnipotent has done for him and
 his fellows in this great, glorious land of ours.
 History records nothing so august among the institutions of men as this
 festival. It is as though the people, with one impulse, sought communion
 with the Divine at least once in each year, that the whole nation may "walk
 with God," and not forget that there is a mightier than President and po-
 litical parties to whom thanks are due and from whom all things spring.
 And, surely, there have been few Thanksgiving days in our history when
 the universal heart had more to inspire it with gratitude than this one which
 is upon us. Let us, then, observe the day in its proper spirit and show our
 appreciation of the infinite good things that the Author of All has permitted
 us to enjoy. Let us make it, from one end of the country to the other, a real
 day of thanksgiving.—The Sunny South.

These are just common blessings, though
 every one has them and some so many
 others.
 The next day Edith was sitting by the
 window, waiting for her husband's com-
 ing. Mrs. Murphy had just gone home,
 and in the pantry was the turkey all
 ready for the oven, mince and pumpkin
 pies, cranberry tarts, and a dairy-rose
 cake.
 The table was laid for tea in the din-
 ing room. When Hiram came there would
 be only the oysters to cook. Little Faye
 was asleep, while Maude and Mabel were
 her composure. She noticed Norah's ten-
 derness with the child and also noticed
 what it was little Faye's face that was turned
 away from the milk to watch Maude and
 Mabel.
 The child was dressed in a pink cash-
 mere trimmed with costly lace. There
 were a couple of rings on her tiny hand.
 But Edith turned from these details to
 study the peculiar look in the dull blue
 eyes.
 "Is she ill?" she asked gently. "Her
 eyes are so heavy."
 "They're always so," Norah answered.

Michigan State News

WOMAN LIFER SET FREE.

Mrs. Etta Brass Was Sent Up for
 Complicity in Murder of Husband.
 The sentence of Mrs. Etta Brass, a life
 in the house of correction, year from up
 north in the State for complicity in the
 murder of her husband twenty-one years
 ago, has been commuted by Gov. Warner
 to thirty-five years. This with good time
 allowance will release her from prison
 at once. Her husband, who was im-
 plicated in the murder, serving a life term
 in Jackson. Mrs. Brass was convicted
 jointly with James Crafts of the murder
 of her husband in a lovely farm-house in
 Muskegon county. Both pleaded guilty.
 Crafts is now serving a life sentence in
 Jackson prison and in all probability will
 die in prison. The pardon board have
 denied his application for pardon, and as
 late as last April refused to report the
 case. Investigation showed that Crafts
 and Mrs. Brass had been too friendly for
 some time, and that he seemed to ex-
 ercise unusual control over her. She is a
 woman of weak mentality and was easily
 persuaded. She claims, and the pardon
 board credits her story, that Crafts did
 the killing. She understood he was going
 to chastise her husband and that she
 expected there would be a fight. After
 the killing the guilty pair buried the body
 of their victim in outdoor root cellar.
 Searches had decided to abandon their
 work when one discovered the hand of
 the murdered man in the bottom of the
 cellar where they had been digging. She
 will go to California to live with an un-
 cle, who was instrumental in securing her
 release from prison.

145 KILLED IN MINES.

Close of Fiscal Year Shows Many
 Men Dead in United States.
 One hundred and forty-five men were
 killed in the iron and copper mines of
 Michigan during the fiscal year ending
 Sept. 30 last. During the year the mines
 gave employment to 36,133 men, the largest
 number in the history of the region.
 Apportioned by counties, the fatalities oc-
 curred in the various mining fields as
 follows:
 Houghton 15,750 2.79
 Marquette 7,544 2.51
 Iron 2,408 1.03
 Isabella 4,008 4.68
 Dickinson 3,392 2.00
 Ontonagon 5 1.250 4.00
 145 36,133 10.12

In the great majority of cases the vic-
 tims came to their deaths through their
 own carelessness.

GRAND TRUNK GETS IN.

Entire G. R. & I. and Secures
 Entrance Into Kalamazoo.
 That the Grand Trunk railroad is mak-
 ing arrangements to build into Kalamazoo
 became known the other day, when
 it was learned that the railroad has pur-
 chased the City of Kalamazoo and has se-
 cured a right of way through the south
 part of the city and leading up to the
 City Inn. The property is located di-
 rectly across the tracks from the Grand
 Rapids and Indiana passenger station
 and was bought for \$12,000. The Grand
 Rapids and Indiana has opposed the en-
 trance of the Grand Trunk. The latter
 has started building "switches" at the rear
 of its new property.

PREACHER FORGETS BIBLE.

Picks Out 6,000 Books for Allegan
 Library, but Leaves Out Greatest.
 While in the library building a resi-
 dent of Allegan had occasion to refer to
 the Bible, but was astonished to dis-
 cover that among the 6,000 volumes on
 the shelves no such book could be found.
 His astonishment was even greater when
 informed that the books had been selected
 by a clergyman and a deacon, but a
 thorough search only confirmed the truth
 that the "book of all books" was not
 there. This citizen, who modestly denied
 being a member of any church, hastened
 to buy a Bible and present it to the li-
 brary and this valuable work of refer-
 ence can now be found on its shelves.

CHILD BURNS TO DEATH.

Girl's Clothing Ignites from Brush
 Fire Near Lake Linden.
 The child approaching six years of age
 of a family living near Lake Linden, Mich.,
 was burned to death by a brush fire.
 The child was playing with a match
 and the brush caught. The child was
 alone at the time. The fire was extin-
 guished by the father, but the child was
 dead. The child's name is not known.
 The father is a German and the mother
 is a native-born American. The child
 was the only child of the family.

BLOW POSTOFFICE SAFE.

Three Masked Men Get \$500 in
 Stamps Out of Springfield.
 Masked yeggmen blew the safe in the
 postoffice at Springfield, securing about
 \$500 in stamps. They failed to open the
 steel chest and did not secure any money.
 The noise of the explosion was heard
 by several live-wire and three masked
 men were seen leaving the building. The
 front of the structure was badly wrecked,
 the safe ruined and a big hole blown in
 the floor. The men carried sacks on
 their backs when they left.

Was on the English Sparrow.

War has been declared on the English
 sparrow. From Dec. 1 to Feb. 28, the
 State will pay 2 cents a head, and a use-
 less slaughter is expected.
 "Dead" Cat Kicks Man Dies.
 Frank Powers, a butcher, died in St.
 Mary's hospital, Detroit, as a result of a
 kick inflicted by a supposedly dead calf.
 Powers had felled the yearling with a
 sledge and stooped over it. One of its
 legs shot out, the hoof striking a tumor
 on Powers' head, which rapidly grew un-
 til death ensued.

Michigan Wins Armour Suit.

Circuit Judge Coolidge has dismissed
 the case of Armour & Co., who sought a
 permanent injunction against Michigan
 State Food Commissioners Baird to re-
 strain him from publishing in his bulle-
 tin the assertion that Armour's sausages
 are adulterated.

Shoots Bear in City Limits.

Charles S. Springer shot a bear weigh-
 ing 250 pounds near Poplar Point, the
 new Macomb county park. Bears are nu-
 merous in the county, but this is the first
 one in years that has been killed so near
 the city.

ARRESTE CAUSE SUITS.

Damages of \$10,000 Asked of Mich-
 igan Central.
 Charles A. Morton of Berlin Springs
 and James S. Cox of Dowagiac have be-
 gun suit against the Michigan Central
 Railway Company for \$10,000 damages,
 alleging false imprisonment. They were
 arrested in Chicago Nov. 5, 1915. They
 were on board a Michigan Central train
 on their way to Chicago. At Niles a
 travelling man rushed into the depot just
 as the train was pulling out, snatched
 up his grip in the baggage room and
 boarded the train without the formality
 of presenting his check-to-the-baggage-
 man. Thinking the travelling man a thief,
 the baggage-man wired ahead and when
 the train reached Chicago Morton and
 Cox, both of whom answered in some de-
 gree the description of the supposed
 thief, were arrested.

BILLS PREVENT DOG BITE.

Rabid Animal Attacks Man and
 Teeth Strike Money Pocket.
 A roll of bills carried in the pants pocket
 of County Treasurer Gordon in Chicago
 was bitten by a mad dog. The animal,
 a small terrier, broke loose and bit
 three people. The dog lunged at Gordon
 and tore his trousers. The animal's teeth
 did not reach the skin, but the dog chewed
 up the bills that were in Gordon's pocket.

OIL EXPLODES; STANDARD SUED.

Man Asks \$40,000 for Death of Wife
 and Children.
 Martin Ignasiak of Wyandotte has
 started three suits in the Circuit Court
 in which he asks total damages of \$40,-
 000 against the Standard Oil Company of
 Indiana for the death of his wife and
 two children, who were burned to death
 about a year ago. The wife in lighting a
 gas put some oil on it and an explosion
 followed. Analysis of the oil showed
 there was gasoline in it.

State Lands Are Sold.

State lands in Alpena, Delta and Ma-
 son counties were offered for sale by the
 State land commissioner in Lansing. Fifty
 buyers were present and many de-
 scriptions of land were sold. A large
 number of lots in the city of Alpena were
 among the lands offered.

Minor State Items.

Frank Enoch of Empire, 23 years
 old, shot and probably fatally injured
 himself while hunting.
 John Ashmun, a woodsman, was killed
 by being crushed by a tree he was felling
 at Morrison's camp at Toivola.
 Hunting accidents reported in one day
 are as follows: Unknown killed near
 South Range; Joe Perovich, Laurium,
 shot in shoulder, may survive; Joseph
 Roschke, Midway, shot, leg amputated.
 Edward Everett was drowned in Whit-
 more lake, his body being found by a
 fish boat. Everett acquired lately
 from Jackson, where he had come to live
 with a sister-in-law, he believed he com-
 mitted suicide. Everett was 35 years old.
 One dead and two injured was the toll
 for the first day of the deer hunting sea-
 son in Negaunee. An unknown foreigner
 was shot by mistake and died later. Gus-
 tav Maki was shot in the hip and Gre-
 gory Lehtonen in the arm by unknown par-
 ties.

George Fry, an aged farmer of Silver
 Creek, six miles west of Dowagiac, was
 burned to death. The building in which
 he lived caught fire from the chimney
 and it is supposed he had no chance to
 escape as he was alone. He was 70
 years old.

William Ames of Stoughton, state witness
 against the prosecution in the Schumacher
 murder trial, which is now on for second
 time at Grand Haven, was felled up
 where he had been hidden under a hay
 pile. He said he had been held up by
 thugs and felled with a slungshot.
 The body of W. A. Garwood, a wealthy
 citizen, was found hanging from a potato
 grower's, was found hanging from the
 tool house at his home. Last May he
 went to Iowa to look after a shipment
 of potatoes and was picked up drowned in
 Chicago, and later sent to Kalamazoo
 asylum, from which he was brought home
 recently. Garwood was 50 years old.

While going to her home after attend-
 ing high mass, Miss Estelle Rydard, the
 15-year-old daughter of Frederick Rydard
 of Marine City, was accidentally shot in
 the face and now lies in a serious con-
 dition in the hospital. Several shots have
 been fired at the person who fired the shot
 which hit the girl. The police are endeavoring
 for the child's recovery.

In Adolph Judas, Chester, released J.
 Lindley Higham, who pleaded guilty to
 stealing a horse at Tecumseh, on a two
 years' probation. Higham's friends in
 Keweenaw convinced the court that this
 was his last misdeed and the judge de-
 cided to give him another chance. By the
 terms of the probation Higham must re-
 port personally in court twice a year,
 write every month giving in detail his re-
 ceipts and expenditures, and refrain from
 drinking and smoking cigarettes.

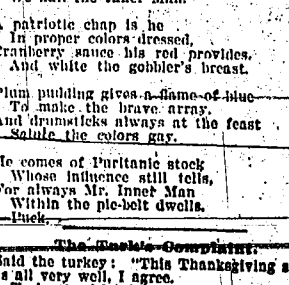
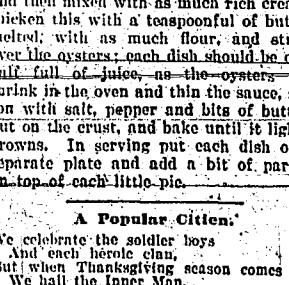
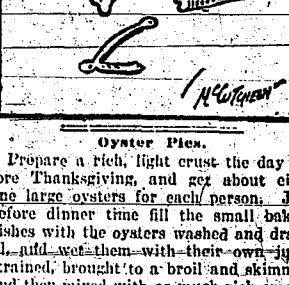
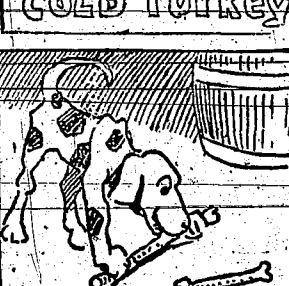
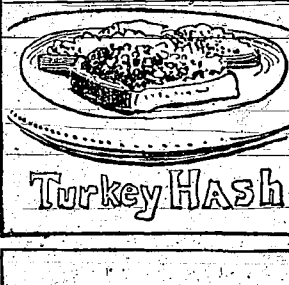
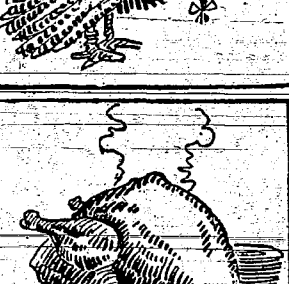
That his wife sold their 22-month-old
 baby to Dr. G. H. Scriber for \$10 is
 the charge made by Mario Martini, who
 is endeavoring through the court in De-
 troit, to regain possession of the child.
 Dr. Scriber has formally adopted the
 baby through the medium of the Probate
 court, the mother of the child, Maria
 Martini, giving her written consent. The
 mother is a slip of a girl, 20 years old,
 and has displayed no concern over the
 disposition of the baby. Dr. Scriber
 denies the father's claim that Mrs. Martini
 received \$10 for giving up the little one.

Despite energetic efforts to suppress the
 news, it is said to have become known
 that at a secret meeting of the Adventist
 church Dr. John H. Kellogg, head of the
 system of sanitariums, was expelled along
 with Elder George C. Tenney, medical
 missionary editor, and a dozen other
 elders. The meeting, held, closed doors
 in Battle Creek, is alleged to have de-
 nounced Kellogg and Tenney as the strong
 arms of the movement emanating from
 the sanitarium to undermine the tenets
 and principles of the Seventh Day Ad-
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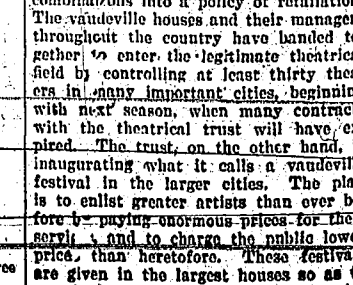
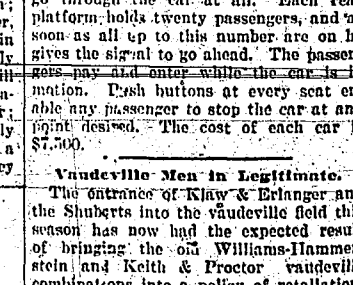
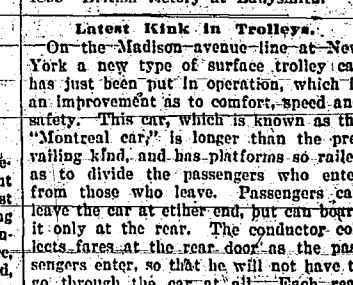
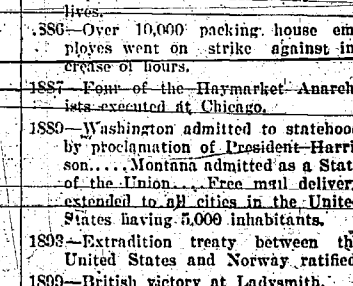
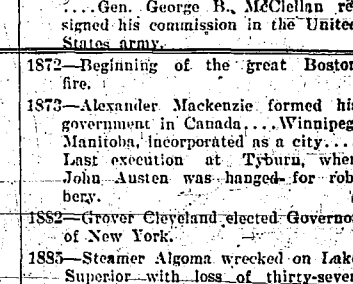
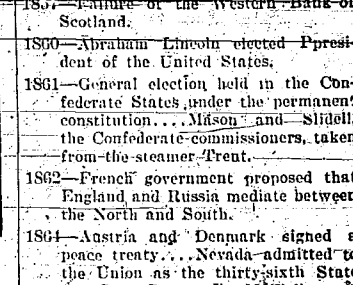
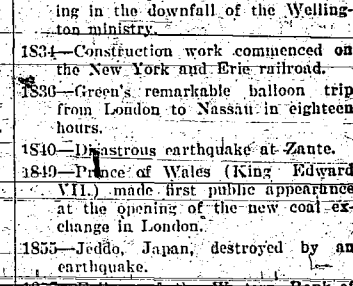
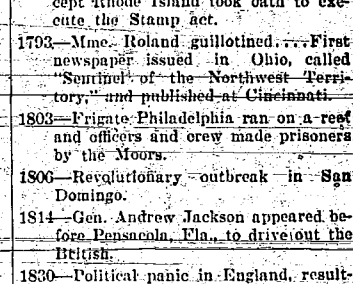
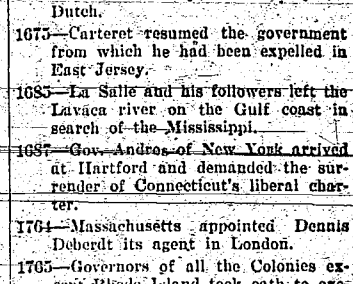
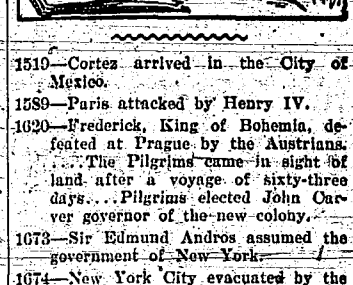
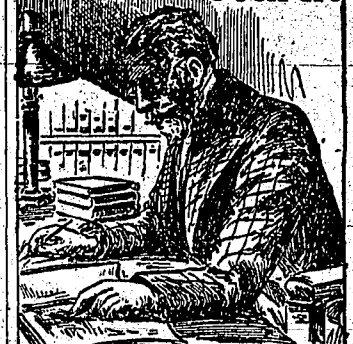
Killing two of three big gray wolves
 before they had time to get from one to
 the other side of the railroad track across
 which they were running at top speed
 the pursuit of deer, Matt Mattson, a rail-
 road employee at Seney, earned more than
 a month's wages within the short space of
 a few seconds.

The forty-fifth semi-annual apportion-
 ment of primary school funds has been
 made by the State. There will be dis-
 tributed in the next few weeks among
 the primary schools of the State \$2,080,
 304, which is at the rate of \$4 per capita.
 The number of children included in the
 apportionment is 517,091.

THE SEVEN AGES OF TURKEY.



THE WEEKLY HISTORIAN



1510—Cortez arrived in the City of Mexico.
 1580—Paris attacked by Henry IV.
 1620—Frederick, King of Bohemia, de-
 feated at Prague by the Austrians.
 "The Pilgrims" came in eight boats
 and after a voyage of sixty-three
 days... Pilgrims elected John Carver
 governor of the new colony.
 1673—Sir Edmund Andros assumed the
 government of New York.
 1674—New York City evacuated by the
 Dutch.
 1675—Carteret resumed the government
 from which he had been expelled in
 East Jersey.
 1685—La Salle and his followers left the
 Lavaca river on the Gulf coast in
 search of the Mississippi.
 1687—Gov. Andros of New York arrived
 at Hartford and demanded the sur-
 render of Connecticut's liberal char-
 ter.
 1704—Massachusetts appointed Dennis
 Debevoise its agent in London.
 1705—Governors of all the Colonies ex-
 cept Rhode Island took oath to ex-
 ecute the Stamp act.
 1705—Mme. Roland guillotined... First
 newspaper issued in Ohio, called
 "The Standard," at Cincinnati.
 1803—Frisco, Philadelphia ran on a reef
 and officers and crew made prisoners
 by the Moors.
 1806—Revolutionary outbreak in San
 Domingo.
 1814—Gen. Andrew Jackson appeared be-
 fore Pensacola, Fla., to drive out the
 British.
 1820—Political panic in England, result-
 ing in the downfall of the Wellin-
 gton ministry.
 1824—Construction work commenced on
 the New York and Erie railroad.
 1830—Green's remarkable balloon trip
 from London to Nassau in eighteen
 hours.
 1840—Disastrous earthquake at Zante.
 1849—Prince of Wales (King Edward
 VII.) made first public appearance
 at the opening of the new coal ex-
 change in London.
 1855—Jeddah, Japan, destroyed by an
 earthquake.
 1857—Capture of the Western Bank of
 Scotland.
 1860—Abraham Lincoln elected Presi-
 dent of the United States.
 1861—General election held in the Con-
 federate States under the permanent
 constitution... Mason and Slidell,
 the Confederate commissioners, taken
 from the steamer Trent.
 1862—French government proposed that
 England and Russia mediate between
 the North and South.
 1864—Austria and Denmark signed a
 peace treaty... Nevada admitted to
 the Union as the thirty-sixth State.
 Gen.

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"Why," said Mr. Goodwin, "the man's modesty is almost ludicrous. It reminds me of the tramp and the old lady. The old lady gave the tramp a dime. Then she looked at him closely. He was a very dilapidated specimen indeed.

"'Poor man!' she said, 'if suppose you have undergone a great many trials?'

"'Trials, mum?' said the tramp, humbly. 'Great heavens, no! They don't have no trials for the likes of us. They just haul us up before the magistrate in the morning.'"

She Did Not Fear Death.

An old lady on her seventy-third birthday once said, "I do not mind getting old, and I do not fear death, but I live in constant dread of paralysis."

“For some time I have been wanting to tell you of the great good your wonderful Sloan’s Liniment is doing here,” writes Mr. James F. Abernethy, of Rutherford College, N. C. “In fact, all your remedies are doing noble work, but your Liniment beats all. In my eight years’ experience with medicine



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 Reporter.—To what do you attribute
 your great age?
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 Mr. There be several o' them patent
 medicine companies as is bargainin' with
 me.—London Sketch.

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